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SPECTACULAR CHINESE ATTACK

Smashes Right Through to N. Szechuen Road

HUNANESE TROOPS TAKE WOOSUNG INITIATIVE

JAPANESE RECEIVE SETBACK ALSO IN NORTH

Shanghai, To-day, 1.30 p.m.

In one of the most spectacular operations of the last few days, Chinese troops in the Chapei sector last night smashed through the Japanese lines and carried their attack in a sweeping rush right to the North Szechuen Road in the vicinity of the Japanese Naval Landing Party's headquarters.

They were brought to a halt here by the deadly fire of the Japanese strong points, veritably bristling machine-guns, and with the pause enabling the Japanese to rush up powerful reinforcements, the offensive was stayed.

The Chinese later withdrew from the exposed North Szechuen Road and established themselves on a new line, nearly half a mile advanced from the starting-point of their drive. The Japanese admit heavy casualties.

Severe fighting also took place on the Liuho-Woosung sector, where Hunanese troops launched a series of violent assaults, continuing through the night. The battle was still raging this morning but the Japanese claim that their main lines of defence remain intact, though the outposts have been driven in at all points.

JAPANESE SUFFER NEW SETBACK

Reports from Tientsin, issued by the Japanese military headquarters, reveal that the Japanese drive into Shansi has suddenly been countered by fierce attacks.

Strong Chinese reinforcements have come to the troops which retreated from Kalgan and Nankow and they are now rapidly driving the Japanese Army over the Shansi border into Chahar, a dozen

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WINTRY OUTLOOK FOR BRITISH INTERESTS

London, To-day.

The outlook for British and other neutral interests in the Far East is wintry indeed, and its chill is but little tempered by the Japanese Admiralty statement that there will be no interference with peaceful commerce of other Powers, declares "The Times" in an editorial.

A more urgent question, however, for the Cabinet is the Japanese Government's interim reply to the British Note demanding the

SOVIET RESPONSE TO ROME

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet Government has instructed its Embassy in Rome to announce that it considers the Italian reply to the Soviet Note as unsatisfactory and that Russia maintains its accusations that Italian submarines have sunk Soviet merchant ships in the Mediterranean.—Reuter.

"fullest measure of redress" for the wounding of the British Ambassador in China by Japanese air-men.

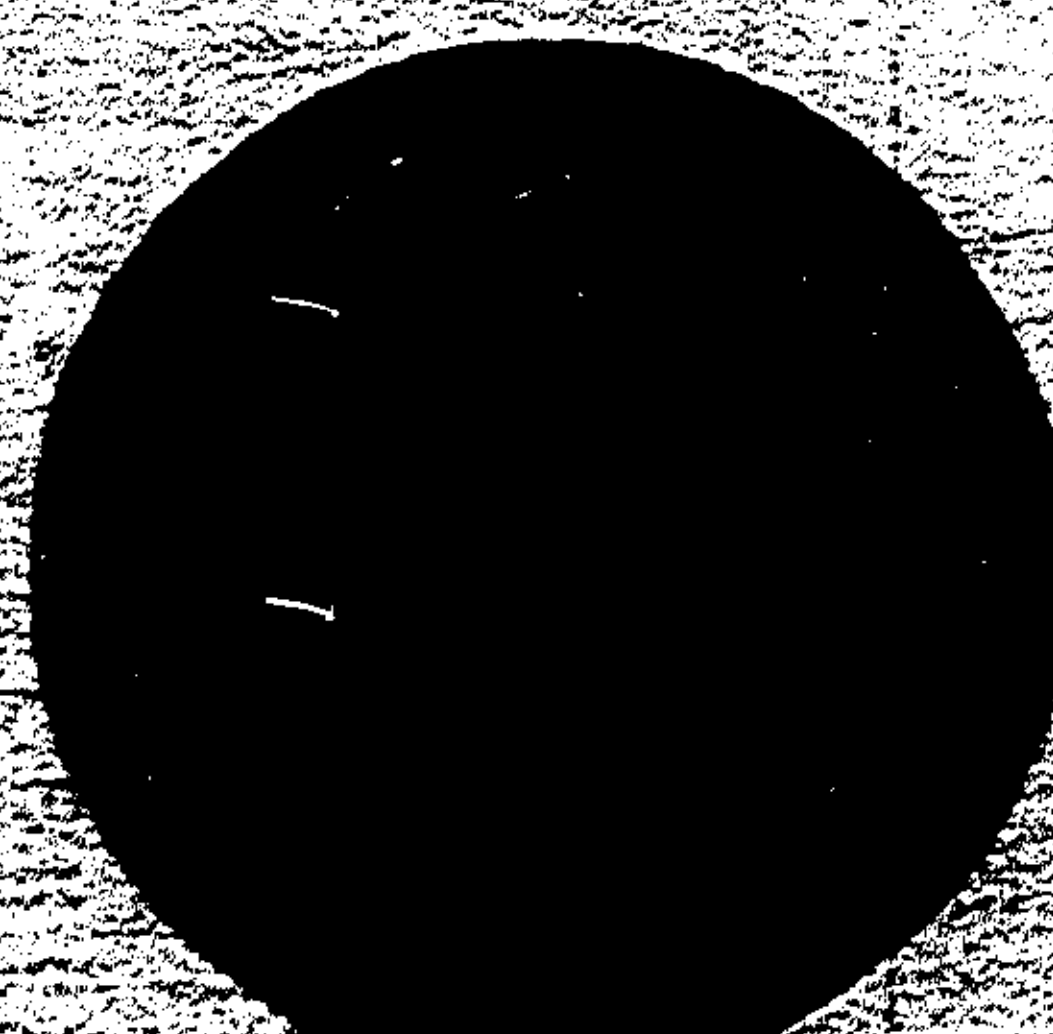
PECULIAR IMPLICATIONS

The Japanese reply concludes by expressing the hope that the British authorities will co-operate with the Japanese authorities on the spot by giving them notice in advance when entering the zone of danger.

Implications of the conclusion are extensive and peculiar.

Of the Note as a whole it may be said that if it were anything but an interim report it would be anything but satisfactory.—Reuter.

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MATCHING WARDROBES FOR FAMILY

The trend is toward more solidarity in the family wardrobe.

Since the attractive mothers on the stage and in society, and their attractive daughters, began choosing dresses from the same bolt of cloth, clannishness has developed to the point where dad's necktie, junior's shorts, sister's dress and sun suit and mother's frock all match.

One chic wife and mother, who wanted to establish an exclusive style theme for the family, asked a designer of children's clothes in which appliques and embroideries of peasant inspiration are always a distinguishing feature, to work out a hand-made "coat-of-arms" in checked linen and sail cloth.

These two summer fabrics are equally appropriate for clothes for little boys and little girls, for mother and for dad's neckties, if not his slacks or jacket.

SOME VARIATIONS

Here are some of the variations that make the theme amusing:—Big and little sister dresses in reverse colour combinations, instead of exactly matching; mother and daughter dresses of flowered challis (a dirndl silhouette for the mother, and for the child a gored princess frock); printed cotton beach coats, cut exactly alike for mother and daughter, made of like prints but in different colours.

Tuna Chops

- 3 cups tuna fish
- 3 tablespoons cooking oil
- 6 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup hot milk
- ½ teaspoon grated onion
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice, pepper, mace, Worcestershire sauce
- 1 egg
- 1 tablespoon finely minced pimientos
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon minced parsley, fine dry bread crumbs

The fish is flaked very fine, and a white sauce made of the cooking oil, flour and milk. The seasonings and the fish are then added to the white sauce. The mixture is cooled and shaped into cutlets containing a rounded tablespoon each. Each cutlet is rolled into fine dry bread crumbs, then in the egg, which has been slightly beaten and diluted with a fourth cup of water, and then in the crumbs again. A strand of spaghetti, an inch and a half long, is placed in the end of each of the cutlets to simulate a bone. The patties are then fried in deep cooking oil, heated so that it will brown a bit of bread in forty seconds.

The cutlets are drained on brown paper and should be served, on a bright pottery plate, with asparagus and creamed peas and a garnish of watercress.

Making Lampshades

There are just four easy steps to making attractive lampshades—taping the spokes of the frame, adjusting the silk lining, applying the cover silk, covering the side seams with bias before applying the trimming. Prepare the shade to four

When, regardless of your own features, hair, disposition and type, you copy a screen star's hairdress, a society woman's makeup or your best friend's mannerisms, you are paying yourself a pretty sad compliment.

In spite of hints to the contrary, the way to make the most of your beauty is to dramatize your best points, play down the less attractive ones—and be yourself!

Nothing looks sillier than a Garbo-

For Jaded Appetites

Something different for breakfast—something guaranteed to perk up the most jaded appetite—is corn fritters.

Green Corn Fritters

- ½ cup prepared pancake and waffle flour
- ½ cup evaporated milk
- 1 cup fresh corn
- Cooking oil

Mix ingredients in order given. Drop from teaspoon into deep, hot cooking oil (365 degrees F.) and fry until golden brown. Drain on absorbent paper. Serve with brown sugar syrup. These are delicious served with fried chicken. Canned corn, well drained, may be used instead of green corn.

Brown Sugar Syrup

- 1 cup brown sugar
 - ¾ cup water
 - ½ cup granulated sugar
- Mix ingredients and boil three minutes.

haircut on a short, rather plump little thing who is the exact opposite of sophisticated. Or very painted lips, in the Joan Crawford manner, on a tiny woman whose features are dainty and finely chiseled.

DRESSES FOR PART

Mariene Dietrich may look too, too lovely in floating tea gowns she wears on the screen, but that doesn't make trailing tea gowns quite right for the woman who cooks the dinner with her own two hands and serves it to her guests. Miss Dietrich does not dress that way herself unless she is playing a part. A practical viewpoint is a good thing to have, and there are hostess gowns and hostess gowns.

If you are having coiffure problems, do go to an expert hairdresser at least once, then work with him, submitting your own ideas, considering his, finally combining both and ending up with a hairdress which flatters you and is in keeping with your mode of life.

MANY EASY HAIRSTYLES

No matter how much she dotes on intricate swirls and curls, a busy housewife who shampoos and sets her own hair simply will not find them satisfactory. There are many hairstyles which are easy to care for at home, but you have to have patience to find one.

With an equal amount of patience you can figure out ways and means to apply makeup to emphasize the beauty of your eyes, make your mouth seem prettier than it is or your chin line more perfectly form-

WEEKLY DIET HINT

Carrots are becoming popular as a food, and justly so. Not only do they contain Vitamins A and C, but it has been found they are rich in "carotene," which is a sort of forerunner, or mother, of Vitamin A. Carrots aid the complexion as well as general health. They are excellent as part of a reducing diet. They should preferably be eaten raw. In a salad either mineral oil or olive oil may be used. It is claimed that carrots even help to cure colds.

Square-Heeled Shoes

Now that Paris couturiers have brought backs into the fashion limelight, correspondingly interesting things are beginning to happen to the backs of shoes. Square heels and backs, carrying out the squareness of the new shoulders, wide-open sandals backs which leaped into being when Schiaparelli raised evening skirt lengths—all indicate the new return of backs to front-rank importance.

If you have not done any real experimenting with cosmetics in more years than you care to admit, get busy with all the rouge, lipstick, mascara and powder samples you can collect and seriously go about the business of glorifying yourself.

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12.30 p.m.—Light Opera.
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Arcady Is Ever Young.
The Pipes Of Pan.
Winnie Melville (Soprano).
A Country Girl—Selection
(Monckton).
London Theatre Orch.
The Beggar Student' (Millockers):
Ich Kumpete manche zarte Bande.
Ich hab' kein Geld, bin Vogelfrei.
Hans Fidesser (Tenor).
Veronique' (Messenger):
The Swing Song.
Trot Here And There (Donkey
Duet)..... Winnie Melville &
Derek Oldham.
Tom Jones'—Selection (German).
Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Vivian Ellis (Piano).
"Shall We Dance" (Gershwin).
Intro: Shall we dance; Beginner's
Luck; Slap that Bass; They all
laughed; They can't take that
away from me; Let's call the
whole thing off.
Streamline—The First Waltz (Ellis).

1.13 p.m.—Louis Levy & His Gaumont
British Symphony.
Jingle Of The Jungle.
The Eyes Of The World Are On You
(Film: London Melody).
Everybody Dance.
My What A Different Night
(Film: "Everybody Dance").
Taking A Stroll Around The Park
(Film: "Variety Parade").
Turning The Town Upside Down
(Film "O.H.M.S.").
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press; Rugby Press;
Local: Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Songs by Frances Day (Soprano).
Swing.
Me And My Dog
(Film "Public Nuisance No. 1").
Love's Melody
(Film "Dreams come true").
1.50 p.m.—J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.
Andante Cantabile
(Tschaiowsky, arr. Willoughby).
Operatica (Famous Operatic Melodies) (Arr. Squire).
Souvenir (Drdla arr. Willoughby).
Phantom Minuet (Hope).
Valse Bluetie—Air de Ballet (Drigo).
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—
There's Something In The Wind.
The Old Oaken Bucket.
Riley Farley & Their Onyx Club Boys.
Tangos—
Siempre Unidos.
El Que A Hierro Mata... Orquesta
Tipica Francisco Canaro.
Fox-Trots—
Sing, Baby, Sing (From the film).
Swingin' On The Moon.
Bob Howard & His Orchestra.
Waltz—Oh, Mr. Man In The Moon.
Quick-Step—I Wasn't Lying When I
Said I Love You... Henry Jacques
with His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—
La-De-De La-De-Da.
Hurdy-Gurdy Man.
Nat Gonella & His Georgians.
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.35 p.m.—Spanish Music.
Suite Iberia.
Danza Espanola..... Madrid Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Enrique Fernandez Arbos.
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 2 in C Minor, Op. 18. Played by Rachmaninoff and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

8.35 p.m.—Songs by Kiparis (Bass).
Der Doppelgänger (Schubert).
Faust' (Gounod).
Golden Call.
Mephisto Serenade.
8.45 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.
Tales From The Vienna Woods (Strauss).
Marek Weber & His Orch.
A Thousand And One Nights (Strauss).
Felix Weingartner conducted the British Symphony Orchestra.
9 p.m.—London Relay—Summer Over The British Isles—Northern Ireland. In The Country. Produced by Henry McMillan.
9.20 p.m.—London Relay—The News & Announcements.
9.35 p.m.—Fox-Trots.
I Need You (Boterill).
Dancing Moth (Reeves Myers).
Jay Wilbur & His Band.
10 p.m.—London Relay—Big Ben. The St. Leger. A running commentary by observers at the parade ring, the start, and the grand-stand. From Town Moor Racecourse, Doncaster.
10.25 p.m.—Variety & Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—
Say The Word And It's Yours.
Everything's In Rhythm With My Heart (Film: "First A Girl").
Jack Jackson & His Orch.
Pianos—Straussiana! (arr. Burschel).
Vocal—
Son Regard (Emer).
C'est Ma Fante (Delettre).
Lucienne Boyer.
Fox-Trot—In A Little English Inn.
Waltz—Sailing Home With The Tide.
Jack Jackson & His Orch.
Humorous—
There's No One With Endurance.
Whoa, Josephine... Frank Crumit.
Novelty—Going Home.
Jack Savage & His Cowboys.
11 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

The Rule Of Eleven

When a low card is led, it usually is the leader's fourth highest card of that suit. Subtract the denomination [number of pips] of the card led from eleven. The result is the number of cards in that suit, higher than the card led, which are held by the other three players [not held by the leader].

S.—K J 8 6

N

W E S.—Q 9 4

West leads the spade five. If this is a fourth highest lead, East knows, by subtracting 5 from 11, that the other three players hold exactly six spades higher than the spade 5. Four are exposed in dummy. East has two. That accounts for all six. Therefore South can have no spade higher than the five. When the spade 6 is played from dummy, East plays the spade nine, and wins the trick without being forced to use his queen.

TO-DAY'S HAND

Certain alibis are heard over and over again at the bridge table. One of them is: "But, partner, I would have established a trick in the dummy by leading so and so." The alibi artist often loses sight of the fact that the trick established would be 100 per cent worthless to the declarer. To-day's hand is an extreme example.

North, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S.—A J 5 4

H.—10 8 4 3

D.—9

C.—A K Q J

WEST

EAST

S.—6

S.—K

H.—A J 6 5 2

H.—K 9

D.—8 7 4

D.—A Q J 10 3 2

C.—9 6 5 3

C.—8 7 4 2

SOUTH

S.—Q 10 9 8 7 3 2

H.—Q 7

D.—K 6 5

C.—10

The bidding:

North East South West
1 club 1 diamond 3 spades Pass
4 spades Pass Pass Pass

South's three spade bid was not a strong bid, but was of a preemptive nature.

West opened his highest diamond. East won with the ace and correctly laid down the heart king, following this with his remaining heart. West won and made the complete give-up play of shifting to a club. Declarer, holding eleven trumps in the combined hands promptly banged down the spade ace. The king falling, the hand was spread.

Certainly it should have required so great imagination on West's part to have seen that setting trick was impossible except in the trump suit itself. South's bidding clearly indicated a six or seven card trump suit. If it were the latter, East could have no more than one trump. Of course it need not be the king, but there was nothing to lose by continuing with a heart. Obviously, East could have ruffed with his spade king, setting the contract.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: What is the proper opening bid on the following:

S.—A Q 7 6

H.—A 3

D.—6 4 3

C.—Q J 9 6

Answer: One club.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE STAR—*"Private Detective 62"*, with William Powell and Margaret Lindsay. A searching light on the men who shadow wayward husbands and wives for evidence in divorce proceedings, etc.

AT THE ORIENTAL—*"Hot Money"*, with Ross Alexander and Beverly Roberts. A riotous comedy romance on the get-rich-quick Wallingford type of story.

AT THE KING'S—*"Parnell"*, with Clark Gable and Myrna Loy. The account of a courageous man who surrenders fame and fortune and power for the woman he loves. Primarily a narrative of Ireland it is of international scope.

AT THE QUEENS—*"Car Overboard"*, with Gloria Stuart and Walter Pidgeon. Billy Barrard, Robert Cowan, Gerald Oliver Smith. Saneys takes one of the many tense scenes.

Blackmer and Jack Smart. Photographed against the exciting background of a fire disaster on the high seas, the picture presents the dramatic story of a girl falsely accused of murder, who clears herself of the charge with the aid of a district attorney who loves her.

AT THE MAJESTIC—*"Yellowstone"*, with Henry Hunter and Judith Barrett. The great Geyser murder mystery. The narrative revolves about the historical incident in Spring Creek Canyon where one of the most notable stage coach holdups of the West occurred.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—*"West Bound Limited"*, with Lyle Talbot and Polly Rowles. The thrilling excitement of a railroad story is the central theme of the plot. There is plenty of excitement, and a runaway train rushing along at high speed makes one of the many tense scenes.

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PRACTICALLY ENTIRE JAPANESE COMMUNITY TO LEAVE HONG KONG

The "China Mail" learns that, on the advice of the Consulate, the entire Japanese population of Hong Kong will be evacuated before the end of August.

For the time being, three "camps," the location of which, for obvious reasons, cannot be disclosed, have been established for the concentration of the Japanese community.

The "camps" were suggested by the local authorities to facilitate protection measures, yesterday noon being the time limit fixed for all residents to move into the "camps." Throughout the day, Japanese business men and residents were to be seen working feverishly preparing to move their goods.

Pitiful scenes have been witnessed at the Japanese Consulate during the past two or three days, when weeping women went to the Consulate to have their passports put in order. They wept because they have had to abandon their livelihood and sail for Japan with practically no money at all.

Over 500 Japanese residents, one third of which were business men have already left Hong Kong, the second batch of over 300 having sailed yesterday by the s.s. Fuku-kien Maru.

Several high Japanese officials, including the Japanese Military and Naval Attaches from Canton, residing at the Tokyo Hotel, were very reluctant to move into the "camps," but the authorities have insisted that they must do so.

CONSULATE ADVICE

The local authorities approached the Japanese Consul some time ago, and requested him to order all Japanese residents in the Colony to concentrate at places suggested by the authorities.

As a result, Japanese residents started a week ago to move in. Business men passed their nights in these "camps" and returned to their business houses in the day.

This procedure, however, has proved very inconvenient, especially to the women and children, and so, acting on the advice of the Japanese Consul, preparations for large-scale evacuation commenced last week.

FEW TO STAY

The remaining Japanese in the Colony, about 1,000, will leave for Japan in batches by every available boat sailing for Japan as from today.

The Japanese Consul, the Consular Staff, Japanese newspaper correspondents, a few important Japanese Officials from Canton, and more responsible members of the staffs of the larger Japanese business concerns will, however, remain in the Colony.

TIME LIMIT

The process of moving temporarily into the concentration "camps" has proved very slow, and yesterday noon was fixed by the Japanese Consulate as the time limit for the en-

SOVIET TO TAKE CHARGE TO LEAGUE

Geneva, To-day.

It is expected that Russia will appeal to the League Council to place the matter of her conflict with Italy respecting submarine attacks on shipping on next Friday's agenda.—Reuter.

ture Japanese population of Wanchai to move in.

Yesterday a tour of the district revealed that most Japanese merchants have packed up their goods in preparation for evacuating Hong Kong. Goods in the shops were all packed in boxes bearing shipping labels.

Residents also worked from the early hours of yesterday morning until late in the afternoon moving their household goods to the concentration "camps."

Last night in the whole district, only a handful of Japanese disregarded their Consulate's advice and passed the night in their shops, as usual.

NEW WOMAN M.P. TO SIT FOR SPRINGBURN

London, To-day.

The widow of the late Member for the Springburn division of Glasgow yesterday successfully contested the seat held by her late husband in a straight fight with the Conservative candidate.

The bye-election, necessitated by the death of the Labour member, Mr. George D. Hardie, resulted as follows:

Mrs. Agnes Hardie (Lab.) 14,859
Mr. McInnes Shaw (Con) 8,881
Labour Majority 5,978

The figures at the General Election were:

Mr. G. D. Hardie (Lab.) 20,286
Mr. J. McInnes Shaw (Con) 11,369
Labour Majority 8,917

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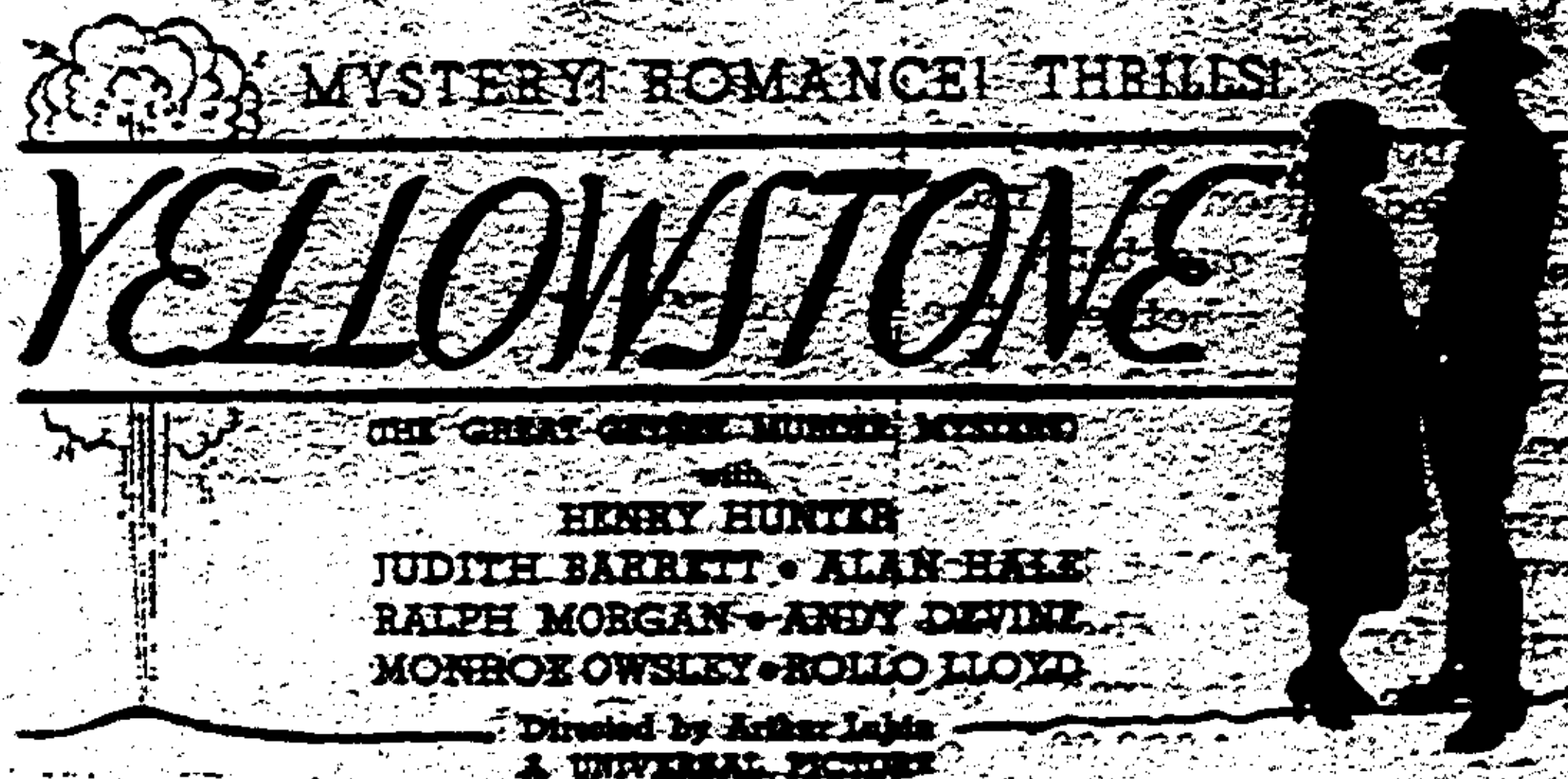
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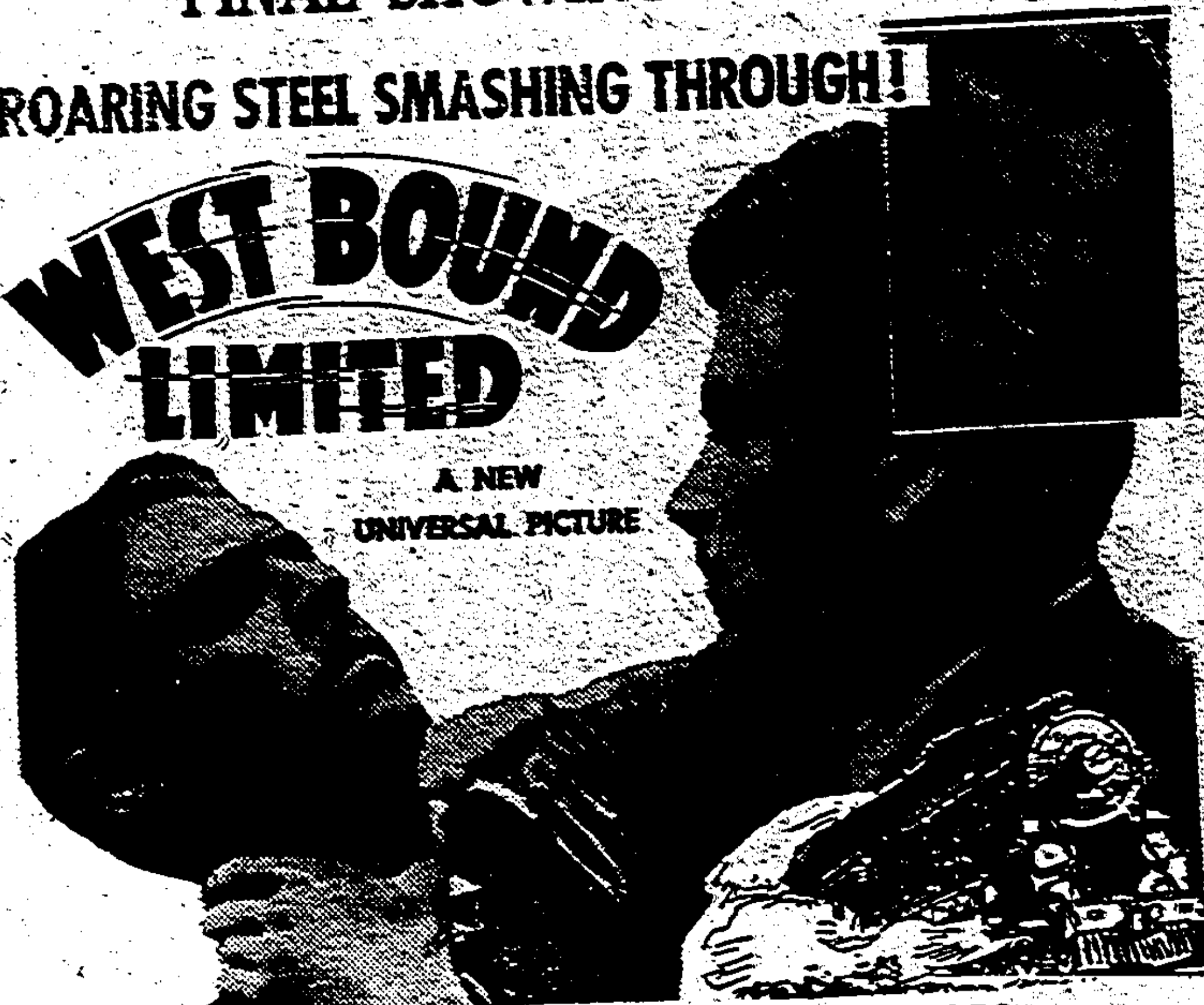
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UNIONS' STRENGTH DECLINING

MR. W. A. APPLETON
ON THE CAUSES

MEMBERS' DOUBTS
OF POLICY

Mr. W. A. Appleton, secretary of the General Federation of Trade Unions, asks in his quarterly report, just issued, whether the people have no further use for the trade union movement.

"Something is certainly wrong," he says. "What is it? Not lack of raw material, for to-day there are 16,000,000 people in insurable occupations, less than 4,000,000 of whom are enrolled in the trade unions."

"The total membership of the unions is, perhaps, a little more than it was in mid-Victorian days, but the increase, when set side by side with the increase in population and in the numbers qualifying for adult employment, is deplorably small. The membership of the unions is greater, but the percentage is smaller."

Seeking for the reason of this decline, Mr. Appleton points out that some people assert that the people have accepted the doctrine that all future improvements in the economic and social position of the workers can best be obtained by non-trade union effort.

"But," he comments, "it is difficult to believe that a movement so full of magnificent achievement can without serious cause forfeit the interest of these millions who are striving to earn a living in field factory or mine."

Benefits Needed Less

The fact that there is now smaller necessity for trade union friendly benefits is emphasised, and Mr. Appleton says that now that sickness, unemployment and pensions are no longer left to the sole care of the unions, only strike and lock-out benefits remain their complete

N.W. FRONTIER INCIDENT

Simla, To-day.

Hostile tribesmen yesterday came across the border and raided a small town on the North-West Frontier. The raiders killed one Hindu, wounded another and looted ten shops.—Reuter.

NEW FIRE ALARMS IN LONDON

Progress is being made with the London County Council scheme for the installation of new fire alarms in London at a cost of £21,400.

In B District, which comprises Clerkenwell, Islington, Red Cross-street, Soho, Euston, Camden Town, Kentish Town, Holloway, Whitefriars and Canon-street, 299 of the new alarms are being erected. Thirty-five also are being installed in the neighbourhood of the new L.C.C. Fire Brigade headquarters in Lambeth.

The new alarm, which operates on a "closed circuit" system, is largely automatic in action, and is expected to eliminate the defects of the present method, which was designed more than 50 years ago. It belongs to the Post Office and costs the L.C.C. nearly £22,000 a year in rentals and maintenance.

One advantage of the new alarm is that any defect in it will be apparent at Brigade Headquarters, and periodic inspection of the alarms will not be necessary.

ly unappropriated function."

The tendency for the movement to "make itself at least foster-mother of national and international causes not strictly its own" is alluded to in the report, and on this point Mr. Appleton says that "doubts concerning the wisdom of so doing appear to be running in the minds of both members and non-members."

"There is," he adds, "another factor which undoubtedly makes for ill-feeling and disintegration, and that is the tendency of the general unions to absorb or smash the smaller occupational or craft unions."

JAPAN'S INTERIM REPLY REGARDED IN LONDON AS NOT SATISFACTORY

London, To-day.

The Japanese blockade of the Chinese coast has been under active consideration by the British Government, which now feels assured that Japan does not intend to interfere with British shipping, and therefore questions arising from the much-debated legal status of the blockade do not arise.

In regard to the Japanese interim reply to the British Note on the Hugesen incident, no comment is likely to be forthcoming in British circles pending delivery of the final reply from Tokyo.

It is stated, however, that the present reply, if followed by nothing more, would not be considered satisfactory in London.—Reuter.

DOMINIONS CONSULTED

London, To-day.

Periodical meetings now being held between Downing Street and the representatives in London of the Dominions are of special importance in view of the international situation.

It is understood that all the Dominions represented have received the latest information on the position in the Mediterranean and the Far East.

Purpose of the meetings is mainly to impart information but it is believed that the agenda of the forthcoming League Council meeting at Geneva is also being discussed.—Reuter.

REPRESENTATIONS IN LONDON

Shanghai, To-day.

The British Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai has received a telegram from London stating that the Chamber of Commerce of the United Kingdom has made representations to the Foreign Office emphasising that besides British, there are large French and American interests in the devastated Yangtsepoo area.

The Chamber suggested close co-operation between the three Powers to deal with the situation.—Reuter.

MR. EDEN'S LONG TALK

To-day's Meeting Of Cabinet

London, To-day.

In addition to the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, who was with the Prime Minister at No. 10, Downing Street, for some time yesterday morning, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, the Dominions Secretary, called on Mr. Chamberlain and remained with him for lunch.

All available Ministers will attend to-day's meeting of the Cabinet.

Sir Samuel Hoare, the Home Secretary, who has been at Balmoral Castle as Minister in attendance, left yesterday afternoon for London by train.

Lord Hailsham, the Lord Chancellor, however, who is on a cruising holiday to South America, will not be present.

The meeting will be held at the cabinet offices in Whitehall Gardens, and it will be the first time the Cabinet has taken place there.—British Wireless.

ALLEGED ASSASSINATION PLOT

Buenos Aires, To-day.

Two men have been arrested in connection with the alleged plot to assassinate the retiring President and members of the Cabinet. It is alleged it was intended to kill the statesmen just before the elections for a new President, which began yesterday.—Reuter.

NO NEGLECT OF WAR GRAVES

UNCEASING WORK IN CEMETERIES
EMPIRE VISITORS

Scattered private complaints of carelessness in the upkeep of graves in the War cemeteries of Flanders and France are ill-founded, as all who, like myself, choose to revisit them after the years that have passed, will readily see, writes a correspondent.

A million of the Empire's dead lie in 2,485 cemeteries, and every grave is tended with a reverent care that the passage of time has but served to intensify.

During his recent tour of the battlefields Mr. J. A. Lyons, Prime Minister of Australia, expressed his grateful astonishment at the neatness and beauty of these resting places of those killed in the War—a tribute to the unceasing work of the Imperial War Graves Commission, which is responsible for them over a vast and intricate area.

Last year nearly 3,000 more bodies of British, French and German dead were found where they fell on the Western Front. Most of these were officers and men who fell in the early days of the war. In the stress of stemming the German tide of invasion they were hurriedly buried, frequently by French villagers, in communal cemeteries or village churchyards.

They have been cared for by the local authorities under the control of the French Ministry of Pensions, which also is responsible for the maintenance of French and German war graves.

WARSHIPS OFF HAINAN

Between 10 and 14 Japanese Ships Observed

THREE DETECTED PASSING THROUGH STRAITS

ATTACK FEARED TO BE IMMINENT

Canton, To-day.

Anticipations of a Japanese naval raid on Hainan Island and Pakhoi as the next stage in the Japanese campaign in South China have received swift confirmation.

An official report from Kiungchow announces that three Japanese warships were observed passing through Hainan Straits early yesterday evening and coast watchers have reported the presence of between ten and fourteen cruisers and destroyers in the area.

A scouting plane sent up to reconnoitre returned to Kiungchow with a report that six warships were concentrated near Kwangchowwan, possibly just outside French waters. Owing to the heavy mist prevailing, positive identification of the ships was not possible, but the military authorities state that there is little doubt of their nationality.

Four large cruisers have been detected among the "armada."

No attack has been made at any point hitherto, but it is believed that operations are imminent and all defence forces are standing by.

It is revealed that the Cantonese troops on Hainan Island and at Pakhoi have been considerably strengthened in the past 24 hours. Orders were issued by General Yu Han-mau immediately on receipt of news of the attack on Chekwan and the forces in Pakhoi which totalled 10,000 men prior to the invasion of the Delta now number at least 30,000.

The Hainan garrison has been similarly strengthened, while Air Force bombers and reconnaissance machines on the Island have been trebled.

CHEKWAN AGAIN SHELLED

Reports were received late last night that Chek Wan was again shelled by a Japanese destroyer in the afternoon.

The destroyer, which was cruising outside Chek Wan entered the Bay shortly after 6 p.m. and commenced shelling the positions of the Paon-tui.

This report has not yet, however, been confirmed.—Our Own Correspondent.

TIN YAT NOT MOLESTED

The riverboat Tin Yat, arriving from Canton, reported that she was not interfered with by the Japanese gunboats which were sighted when the boat passed out of Bocca Tigris.

Prior to sighting the gunboats, the master of the Tin-Yat was informed by the master of the Tai-shan, which was on her way to Canton, of the presence of the gunboats.

While driving car No. 412 in Queen's Road Central, Mrs. Buyers of No. 2, Stubbs Road, knocked down Kwong Leung, aged 5, who was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital suffering from face injuries.

BRITISH CONSUL RETURNING TO SANTANDER

London, To-day.

The British Consul at Santander, Mr. Thomas Bates, who organised the evacuation of a number of refugees before the fall of the town to the insurgent forces and was himself, together with the remaining British nationals, removed to a destroyer on the eve of the occupation, is now on his way back to resume his duties there.—British Wireless.

Bicycle Company's Donation To War Chest

The British Bicycle company in Hong Kong announces that it is making a donation to the China War Chest of 100 bicycles, which the Company is selling at \$25 each. Three have been sold already.

FINAL WARNING TO AMERICANS IN FOOCHOW

Shanghai, To-day.

Final warning has been given Americans living in the Foochow district to proceed to Kulangsu or such places considered safest.

From there they are ordered to leave China by the earliest possible vessels.

The United States Consul at Foochow has been ordered to close the Consulate and to turn over the establishment to the Chinese authorities.

He has been ordered to proceed to Hong Kong with such members of the Chinese staff as wish to evacuate.—Our Own Correspondent.

FAIR WEATHER

The Royal Observatory reported this morning that a weak anti-cyclone is developing over N. China and Mongolia.

Pressure is also moderately high over the Pacific to the S. E. of Japan.

A trough of relatively low pressure extends from Indo-China across the China Sea to the Pacific to the East of N. Luzon, and a depression is situated over the Sea of Japan.

Local forecast:—E. winds, light to moderate; fair.

C. T. WANG ON JAPAN'S AMBITIONS

Washington, To-day.

Describing the Japanese forces in China as marauders, the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. C. T. Wang, in a press interview yesterday, intimated that China will not only attempt to defeat them but is also endeavouring to regain her lost territories.

Dr. Wang appealed formally for funds for Chinese civilians wounded and made destitute by the war.

He added that China was ready to attempt settlement of Sino-Japanese difficulties through any pacific means possible, but they would fight to the utmost to block any further conquest of their territory.

A SMALL PART

"However, we know that the attempted conquest of China is only a small part of what the Japanese militarists envisage.

"They mean to create a Pacific Empire, which will include not only China but all lands in the Pacific, including the Philippines, Australia and Hawaii—if she can get them." —Reuter.

The body of Chan Man, aged 60, of no fixed abode, was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary. He was found dead on the Shek Yuen Road with a small wound apparently caused by some broken glass which was found near the body. It is believed he committed suicide.

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CHAPA: RURAL HOLIDAY

This highly interesting article is reprinted from the September St. John's Review, which has just been published, and was written by Miss Bucknell and Miss Buckland.

WE wonder how many of you know Chapa, in the Province of Tonkin, Indo-China? Those who do not would like perhaps to hear about it, and in consequence may, one day, find themselves here in Chapa. For those who wish a rural and unsophisticated holiday there is nowhere better.

But let us begin at the beginning. We went to the French Consul in Hong Kong for visas for our passports and booked our cabins on the "Canton". This is the quickest way: it takes just under two days to reach Haiphong. From Haiphong the train takes two hours to get to Hanoi, the capital of Tonkin. Here we stopped the night. Hanoi is a very nice city with beautiful gardens and buildings. The Hotel de la Gare is a good place in which to stay the night as it is so near the station for the start next morning.

Only one train leaves each day. We travelled second class and were very comfortable. It is a ten hours' journey, at first through paddy fields and later through sub-tropical jungle. It is interesting to see the different types of food growing along the way. We saw rice, tapioca, Indian corn, guava trees, tea, banana, papaya, sugar, areca-nut, coconut, etc. The red river and the train overlapped the street and public run along together all the way. One

can have a meal cooked on the train, or take one's own; we did the latter and enjoyed a picnic tiffin.

Lao Kay is the town on the frontier between Indo-China and China, and here the train stops for the night before proceeding for two more days to Yunnanfu.

Here we said good-bye to the train and walked to the hotel nearby where we had dinner and spent the night.

Next morning at 7.30 a.m. we clambered up into the bus as first class passengers, thus obtaining a front seat. The rest of the passengers, who were natives, were packed in behind surrounded by luggage, packing-cases, vegetables, fruit, live ducks, chickens, and rabbits.

It is a twenty-four mile run up to Chapa; the road is good and the scenery very beautiful. We went through forests and open country; we saw water-falls tearing down the mountain sides as we mounted, for two hours and the air became fresh and cool. How we did enjoy that ride!

The bus put us down at the Hotel du Centre where we had booked our room. Madame Vaumousse received us very kindly and showed us to a delightful room with a large dressing-room attached. We were completely isolated from the rest of the hotel. Our windows overlooked the street and public gardens so we saw all sorts of in-

teresting sights below. (Room No. 7, if anyone wishes to take it!) The food is excellent. French cooking of course. Market day is great fun. You take your purse along and buy all sorts of wares made by the natives. There are the silver trinkets, and various articles made from the horn of the buffalo, and snake-skin purses and bags, the embroideries as on their own clothes are sold as mats, etc., and then there is a natural-coloured linen, the thread of which you see being twisted by the women as they walk along the rocky country, through forests where, since the sun cannot penetrate, the mud and slush often covers their knees. But they still plod on! When there are open stretches of good paths, the pony is just as pleased to have a good canter as is the rider on its back, and what is more delightful?

The French have opened up 84 miles of paths over the country surrounding Chapa for the benefit of its visitors. Two hundred French people come up every summer with their families. We were the only English except for one missionary up from Hanoi for a holiday. There is a little street of shops where one can purchase most things, rather like the homestead village shop. Chapa closes down in winter except for our hotel the military camp and post office, as it becomes too cold. There are three hotels here, and many little cottages dotted about over the country-side. These are mostly named after flowers, and the name flower is grown in great quantities in each garden.

Those who do not wish to ride ponies can take most beautiful walks. We tried both and one is as lovely as the other. Wild flowers are everywhere, some like those one sees at home. (Dr. Herklots would revel in Chapa!)

One trip, but a very strenuous one, is on ponies to the top of Fan-si-Pan, the highest mountain in Indo-China. But it takes two or three days, and one spends the night in a hut half way up. It is worth the trip for the view. The native tribes are most interesting. A little difference in their costume tells you to which tribe they belong. Every sixth day is market-day and then one sees the Meow, the Tho, the Man, the Lolo and the Sa Phang. They wear homespun navy blue, on which are embroidered fascinating patterns in all sorts of colours. Round their necks they wear silver necklaces and down their chests are silver ornaments; the women wear several silver ear-rings, in addition, which cause the lobes of the ears to stretch to ugly lengths. The silver is mined from the local mountains.

The Meow tribe wear finely accordeon-pleated skirts embroidered in all colours. The Man tribe wear bright red pieces of cloth folded on their heads and puttees round their legs. The Tho wear no head-dress and the costume is slightly plainer. The Sa Phang have very ornamented headdress, and the Lolo have caps rather like gileties.

It is quite safe to walk all over the hills, for the tribes are very friendly and there are no bandits about. It is said that tigers come out at night, but keep out of the way by day, so this does not interfere with excursions.

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THE WORLD GOES BY By "ULYSSES"

LONG, long ago, in some place where ceremonious weddings were the rule, some intelligent newspaper reporter noted an exception, and dubbed it a quiet affair.

Ever since, the parrots of the Press have written of all weddings as quiet weddings, just as they always call a funeral procession a cortege. I never saw one report a noisy wedding. "Pretty but quiet" was the weird phrase I once noted. Now, the damnable reiteration in the local Press of that phrase, a Quiet Wedding, begins to disquiet me, hence this inquiet note. I must insist for my own peace of mind on pointing out to reporters and sub-editors generally that there are interesting weddings

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and ever so many other kinds of weddings beyond more than, and in addition to their beastly monotonous and inevitable Quiet Weddings, which I do not believe in

anyway. There is, of course, another type of wedding, associated with firearms, which I had perhaps better not mention here.

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I can never see the point of a Far Eastern "Who's Who." Most men out here answer to their names more readily to "Here's How" than to "Who's Who."

I always thought war was an obscene and filthy business. But no. Not according to Sir Edmund Gosse, who wrote these words in 1915:—

"War is the great scavenger of thought. It is the sovereign disinfectant, and its red stream of blood is the Condy's fluid that cleans our stagnant pools and clotted streams of the intellect."

Maybe he's had time to change his mind.

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"While Mr. Harold Davidson, the former rector of Stiffkey, lay unconscious in hospital with a broken collar bone and terrible flesh-wounds inflicted by a lion, posters flaunted on boardings nearby. 'See the lion that mauled and injured the rector, and the plucky girl who went to his rescue,' said the posters. Crowds flocked to the exhibition." — News

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GREAT BATTLE STILL RAGING IN S'HAJ

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese claim to have made advances on the Shanghai front as the result of simultaneous offensives launched from Jukong Wharf and Yangtsepoo yesterday, and assert that the Japanese forces operating from points near Paoshan and Lo-tien have effected a junction.

As the night advanced, the intensity of the Japanese land and sea bombardment of the Chinese positions subsided, and firing became only intermittent.—Reuter.

BIG PUSH FAILS

Fierce Fighting At Many Points

Shanghai, To-day.

It is officially declared that the Japanese big push throughout yesterday and last night on all sectors in Shanghai achieved little success despite attacks on the Chinese positions from land, water and air.

The main features of yesterday's fighting were a series of Japanese attacks on Chapei and a fierce engagement in Yangtsepoo, where the Japanese have been pushed back practically to the water-front. The Chinese position in Chapei is also intact despite the heaviest Japanese pressure. Fierce fighting is in progress at several points in the Woosung area.—Hua Nan.

PAOSHAN BATTLE

Japanese Siege Broken

Shanghai, To-day.

The Chinese troops, who recaptured Paoshan after a most sanguinary battle, were in their turn besieged yesterday. The Chinese position was extremely precarious until the arrival of large reinforcements, who are reported to have broken the siege.—Hua Nan.

STEAMER SUNK

Shanghai, To-day.

A newly-constructed steamer, the "Chinkiang," belonging to the China Merchant Steam Navigation Company, which was to be launched this month at Kochangmiao, near Nantao, was struck by Japanese air bombs and wrecked to-day.—Hua Nan.

Shanghai, To-day.

As a result of incendiary acts by Japanese, huge fires occurred in Woosung Road and Haining Road yesterday.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. Andrew Robert Kinross, of the Imperial Chemical Industries, Limited, residing at No. 62, Hunan Road, Hankow, and Miss Dorothy Helena Carey, commercial artist, residing at No. 42, Kennedy Road, Hong Kong, has been announced.

The Reverend Frank Albert

BRITISH BUY SHIPS FOR CHINA

Norfolk (Virginia), To-day.

British interests are reported to have purchased three freighters which are being reconditioned here to sail in October with supplies for Chinese soldiers. The ships will then engage in Chinese trade.

Seventy-seven Chinese sailors have been admitted to the United States, each under bond of \$500, as crews of the freighters.—Reuter.

VALENCIA'S PREMIER'S PARIS TRIP

Paris, To-day.

The Premier of the Valencia Government, Dr. Juan Negrin, arrived here unexpectedly yesterday.

The Spanish Embassy not having issued any announcement concerning his arrival or the purpose of his visit, it is thought in political circles that Dr. Negrin wishes to visit the French Foreign Minister, M. Yvon Delbos, and to confer on the Mediterranean situation before the "anti-piracy conference" begins at Nyon.—Trans-Ocean.

NON-INTERVENTION MEETING MAY BE POSTPONED

London, To-day.

The meeting of the non-intervention committee, scheduled for Friday, will probably be postponed, in view of the fact that the Mediterranean Conference at Nyon begins on the same day.

It is pointed out in informed circles here that the results of the Mediterranean Conference could exercise a decided influence on the non-intervention committee.—Trans-Ocean.

White, of the Methodist Mission, Wuchow, has announced that his marriage to Miss Mand Helena Johnston, residing at Fatshan, will take place in Hong Kong shortly.

IL DUCE'S VISIT TO GERMANY

Berlin, To-day.

In connection with the visit of Signor Mussolini to Germany this month, it is understood that the Duce will arrive in Munich on September 25.

He will remain there one day, after which he will probably go to Berlin.—Reuter.

Defence Questions In Sincere Murder Trial

The "Sincere Company Murder Case" was continued before Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court this morning, when Ko Wah-tak, who has been granted a conditional pardon on turning King's evidence, was cross-examined by the defence counsels.

The accused were:

Li Fook-cheung, 44, Chief Manager of the Perfumery Manufactory of the Sincere Co., Hong Kong; charged with being an accessory before the fact, in that he procured the murder of David Chan Sze, alias Chan Lai-tsun, at Prince Edward Road, Kowloon, on May 13.

An Hing, 37, unemployed, charged with the murder of David Chan Sze.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., and Mr. J. Whyatt, Assistant Attorney-General, conducted the case for the Crown. Li was defended by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., while Mr. D. J. N. Anderson appeared for An.

The following Jury was empanelled: Messrs. C. M. Hall (Foreman), Yue-Ping-yui, Yuen Cheung-wan, Lo Wai-cheong, J. Akber, M. Maa, P. P. Archipoff.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

In answer to Mr. D'Almada, K.C. stated that it was on May 10 that first accused conversed with him in his cell and asked him to write a note retracting his story to the police. Accused told witness to disguise his handwriting.

Between July and December 1936, witness met the first accused several times but only once between January and March this year. Witness was arrested in an opium divan in Kwong Yuen Street East.

The first statement witness made was on the morning following his arrest. He made three statements but only signed two.

Witness admitted that he arranged a \$2,000 loan for first accused but denied that he ever loaned accused a sum of \$500.

In reply to Counsel, witness said that seven or eight years ago he had intended to join the Canton Air Force, but he did not renew this intention last year.

LOAN QUESTIONS

Witness also denied that he borrowed \$100 from first accused, stating that he obtained the money from the Sincere Company. This Leung Wong had confessed had been repaid. The Company deducted the sum from communi-

JAPANESE DRIVEN BACK IN PEIPING BATTLE AREA

Peiping, To-day.

Severe fighting is taking place about thirty miles west of Peiping, where Japanese troops, aided by aircraft and heavy artillery, launched a fierce attack on a Chinese division entrenched on the summits of the mountains.

The Chinese claim to have carried out a successful counter-attack last night and to have driven back the Japanese with heavy losses.

Some confirmation of this is contained in the Japanese admission that their casualties were considerable. Many Japanese wounded have been brought into Peiping by train.

The war front in North China now stretches 200 miles from Mia-chang, south of Tientsin, as far as Yangkiao, in north-east Shansi.

Japanese troops from Kalgan claimed to have entered Shansi yesterday morning.—Reuter.

sion which became due to witness.

Counsel: "I put it to you that first accused all along paid you sums of three, four and five dollars in connection with the \$500 loan."

—Li borrowed no money from me. I borrowed money from him. When I was in Shanghai I wrote to him for a loan of \$70. This has been repaid. Li deducted the sum from commission due to me."

Counsel: "I put it to you that you gave Li the Canton address in September last year."—"No, I gave it to him on May 14 last."

Counsel: "I put it to you that there was no conspiracy between you and the first accused in connection with Chan Lai-tsun."—"Yes, there was."

Counsel: "I put it to you that the real object of your visits to Li was to collect the loan of \$500."—"Non-sense. I did not loan Li any money."

BALLROOM MEETING

Counsel: "I put it to you that Li never met you during the Coronation celebrations."—"He did and discussed the murder of Chan Lai-tsun."

Witness continued, in reply to Counsel, that he did not know that Li frequented the China Emporium Ballroom. Li made the appointments to meet him there. Wherever witness phoned Li, it was pre-arranged for him to do so by Li.

Witness met Leung Wong casually one day in the street, saw him for the first time in connection with the murder of Chan Lai-tsun on May 10.

Counsel: "Leung and An were under the impression that you wanted Chan Lai-tsun injured because of the murder of your uncle?"—"Yes."

Counsel: "I put it to you that Li never suggested that you buy a knife."—"He did."

Witness said that he decided to make a clean breast of the whole affair because he was told that this Leung Wong had confessed.

The case is continuing this afternoon.

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U.S. POLICY IN CHINA

The American Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai in cabling protest to the State Department against any suggestion of a policy of scuttle in China have represented a point of view which is shared, we are certain, by at least 99.9 per cent. of Americans who are directly affected by the announcement attributed to President Roosevelt. The report credits the President with declaring that all Americans without exception have been warned to leave China, or to stay at their own risk. Objections to such a general order are raised on a score of grounds, but the two principle issues involve, one, America's commercial stake in China and, two, her prestige in the Far East.

So vital are both to a nation of America's standing, that, for the moment, it is reasonable to believe that the President has been misinterpreted. An order was issued by the American Embassy during the week-end, recommending all Americans residing in areas adjacent to military centres to move as soon as possible to safer zones. It is possible this Embassy message to which the President intended to refer. But it did not imply that safety meant outside the borders of China, and it contained no direction to American citizens already in safe zones.

It is well-known, of course, that the many peace organisations in the United States have been extremely active and that their anxiety to secure invocation of the Neutrality Act has been dictated less by a desire to mark condemnation of Japanese than to secure a position in which there could be no possibility of embolism of the United States in the disputes of the Far East. But it is inconceivable that the American Government would override the reputation to get the better of fish and sentations of all of their own na-

tionals who are on the spot and in the best position to judge of the immediate and ultimate consequences of complete abandonment of China at the present juncture. It is an issue of such grave moment that the midst of a yachting cruise would seem an incongruous occasion for a decision of such finality.

Cabinet And Defence

Those who questioned Sir Thomas Inskip on defence recently might profitably raise another question when Parliament next meets: whether the present office and functions of the Minister of Co-ordination are what is needed in the interests of our defence or do not rather furnish a scapegoat for the sins of the Government. All the problems of defence are brought forward, and when the lightnings flash it is Sir Thomas who is found under the tree while the Cabinet is securely playing somewhere else. Sir Thomas, whom the House expects to do much more than he himself thinks is involved in his office, says that he has no financial and no executive authority, and it is doubtful whether any body except the Cabinet has the authority to force a settlement of some of the questions that have trailed on for months and years. The Admiralty and the Air Ministry have pursued their ancient wrangle about the Naval Air Arm; the Home Office cannot settle with the municipalities the cost of passive air defence. It is decisions that are wanted, even if sometimes there is a wrong decision. And if Sir Thomas's speeches suggest that defence is still in various ways indifferently handled, the Cabinet ought not to be allowed to shelter itself behind him and evade the responsibility for what is its own incompetence.

Island Exhibits

According to a question in the House of Commons the three chief exhibits which a visitor sees on entering the British Pavilion at the Paris Exhibition are "a large model of people hunting, another of people shooting, and a large picture of the Prime Minister fishing," and the seeker after information wanted to know whether our authorities are "satisfied that this arrangement is either suitable or dignified."

It depends on the impression which it is desired to create. If the idea is to bolster up the old French belief that the standing matutinal remark of the mad English is "It is a fine morning; let us go out and kill something," few more suitable arrangements could be imagined. As for "dignified," it is hard to say without seeing the models and the picture; if the hunters are falling off their horses, and the Prime Minister is being towed down-stream by a particularly energetic salmon, the sense of dignity would be definitely disturbed. But it is hard to think that exhibit of that sort would be found in a British Pavilion at a Paris exhibition. We may appear a bit hogged from time to time on matters of foreign policy, but when the bulldog breed could not be relied upon to get the better of fish and sentations of all of their own na-

ITALO-SOVIET TENSION OVER SUBMARINE ATTACKS

May Torpedo Planned Mediterranean Conference TALKS TO PROCEED WHATEVER MAY HAPPEN

London, To-day.

Even if Germany and Italy decide not to attend the Mediterranean Conference on "piracy," scheduled to be held at Nyon, in Switzerland, the opinion is officially held in London that the talks will proceed because Britain is determined to exterminate piracy in the Mediterranean.

In Paris, there is little doubt that France and Britain will continue to co-operate whatever happens.

There is a general note of optimism in the French capital, as it is felt that when the first vigorous reaction is over, Rome, Berlin and Moscow may well decide to attend the Conference, with the added advantage of all the cards being on the table.

In Rome, fears are expressed that the tension between Moscow and Rome will prevent holding of the conference.

Italy has not yet decided to attend, and diplomatic consultations with Berlin are progressing on the subject.

Egypt, Bulgaria, Rumania and Turkey have already accepted the invitation to attend the Conference. —Reuter.

SOVIET DEMAND

Accepts Invitation
To Conference

Moscow, To-day.

Accepting the Anglo-French invitation to the Mediterranean Conference, the Soviet Government considers that attacks by certain, and primarily, Italian warships on merchant ships should be recognised as absolutely intolerable and asks why an invitation has been sent to Germany since the conference aims at discussing questions only directly connected with the Mediterranean.

The Note also demands that Spain be invited to the meeting.

Soviet spokesmen declare that they consider Italian rejection of the Soviet Note on "piracy in the Mediterranean," unsatisfactory. "We shall continue to assert our accusations against Italy." —Reuter.

SOVIET WORKERS AND ITALY

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet action in sending a Note to the Italian Government, demanding reparation for the torpedoing of two Russian merchant ships in the Mediterranean, was announced to workers in all factories and business houses yesterday.

Demonstrations were immediately held, in which resolutions demanding action against Italy were passed.

Sailors of the Russian merchant marine have contributed two days wages towards construction of new warships. —Trans-Ocean.

The P. and O. s.s. "Burdwan" left Kobe on the 6th instant and is due here on the 9th instant at about 10 a.m.



Lord Halifax, arriving at the Foreign Office on August 25 for a conference on the Far East. (By Air Mail).

NORMANDIE LOSES PROPELLOR

Paris, To-day.

The giant French liner Normandie, holder of the Atlantic blue riband, arrived at Cherbourg yesterday with one propeller missing.

It is understood the propeller was lost when the vessel sailed from New York. —Reuter.

WITHDRAWAL SUGGESTION REJECTED

Nanking, To-day.

The Anglo-French-American proposal for withdrawal of the Japanese and Chinese forces from the Shanghai area, which had been presented to both warring parties during the week-end, was finally rejected by the Nanking Government yesterday.

The Nanking Government had expressed willingness to consider the proposal "if the Japanese warships leave the Whangpoo River." —Trans-Ocean.

TRINIDAD RIOT INQUIRY

Port of Spain (Trinidad),

To-day.

The enquiry into the recent disturbances on the Trinidad oil fields began yesterday, when police evidence was taken.

The commission of investigation is visiting the scenes of the rioting to-day. —Reuter.

FRANCO AND SEIZED BRITISH SHIPS

London, To-day.

General Franco has expressed willingness to release immediately British ships and their crews detained for some time by the Nationalist authorities.

This refers mainly to the ships Molton and Candlestone Castle.

General Franco will also send English prisoners of war back to England. —Trans-Ocean.

"Definitely Out Of Danger"

Shanghai, To-day.

Dr. Gauntlett, the physician attending the British Ambassador, Sir Hughe Knatchbull-Hugessen, told Reuter that His Excellency's condition is "quite satisfactory" and that he is definitely out of danger. —Reuter.

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Shanghai Believes There Is Some Mistake

Shanghai, To-day.

Considerable confusion seems to exist as to the situation in regard to Americans living in China.

It is learned in Shanghai that American subjects have not received any warning to leave the country, and many believe that President Roosevelt had been misquoted when he was reported to have said that Americans would remain in China at their own risk and would not be afforded protection by Washington.

Confirmation of the statement attributed to the President is being anxiously awaited.

Some Americans, interviewed by Reuter, said they would prefer to give up their American nationality than to liquidate their interests in China.

Confirmation of President Roosevelt's statement, however, would seem to be contained in a message from Peiping, received here via London.

The message states that the United States Embassy in Peiping has warned the 600 Americans in the old capital to evacuate China while existing facilities are available.

Otherwise, adds the warning, the United States Government will not be responsible for their safety. — Reuter.

MEDITERRANEAN PIRACY

London, To-day.

Interest continues to be taken here in Friday's Conference on the safety of shipping in the Mediterranean.

So far, replies accepting invitations issued by the British and French Governments have been received from Egypt, Bulgaria and Rumania.

It is generally believed here that strong action to suppress piracy will be taken by the Conference of Powers which join in these discussions.

It is expected that the Conference will be one of the principal topics at the meeting of the cabinet to-day.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, leaves for Geneva on Thursday. — British Wireless.

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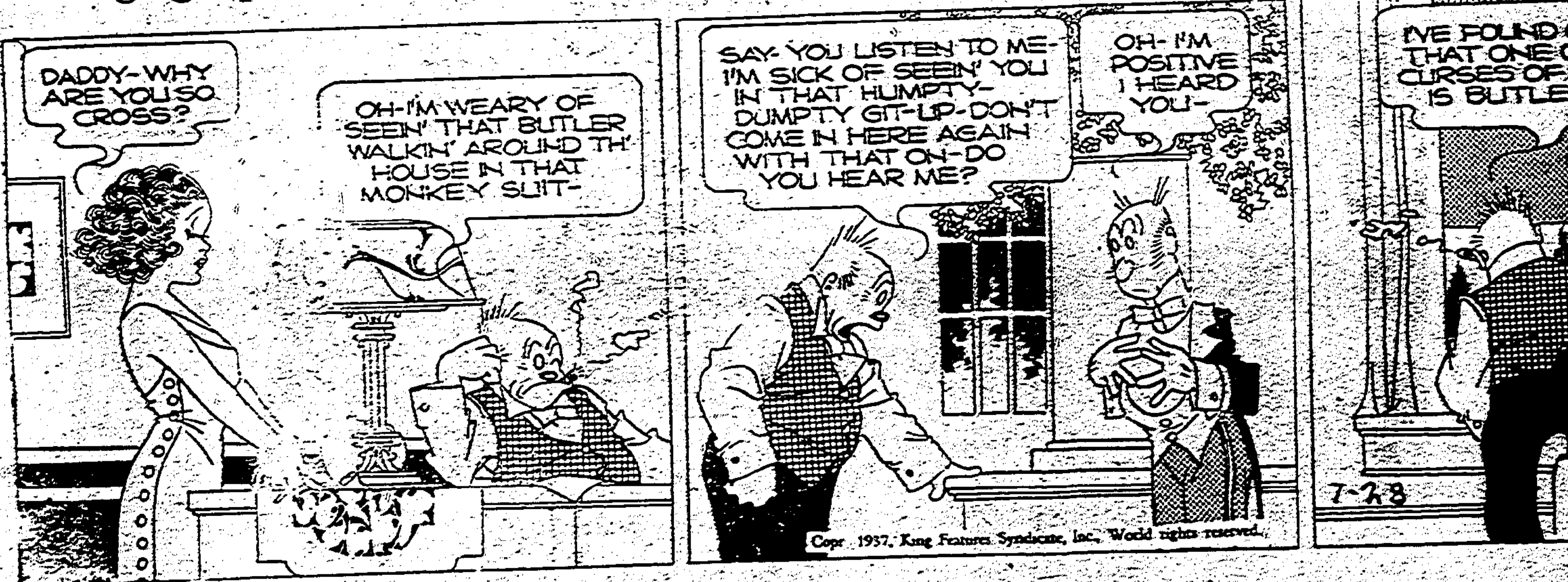
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Joan Crawford and niece

Old, Joan Crawford Le Sueur, niece of the glamorous Joan Crawford, makes her film debut as a bit player in her aunt's new picture. The little girl, child of her aunt's first husband, is spending the summer with the actress.

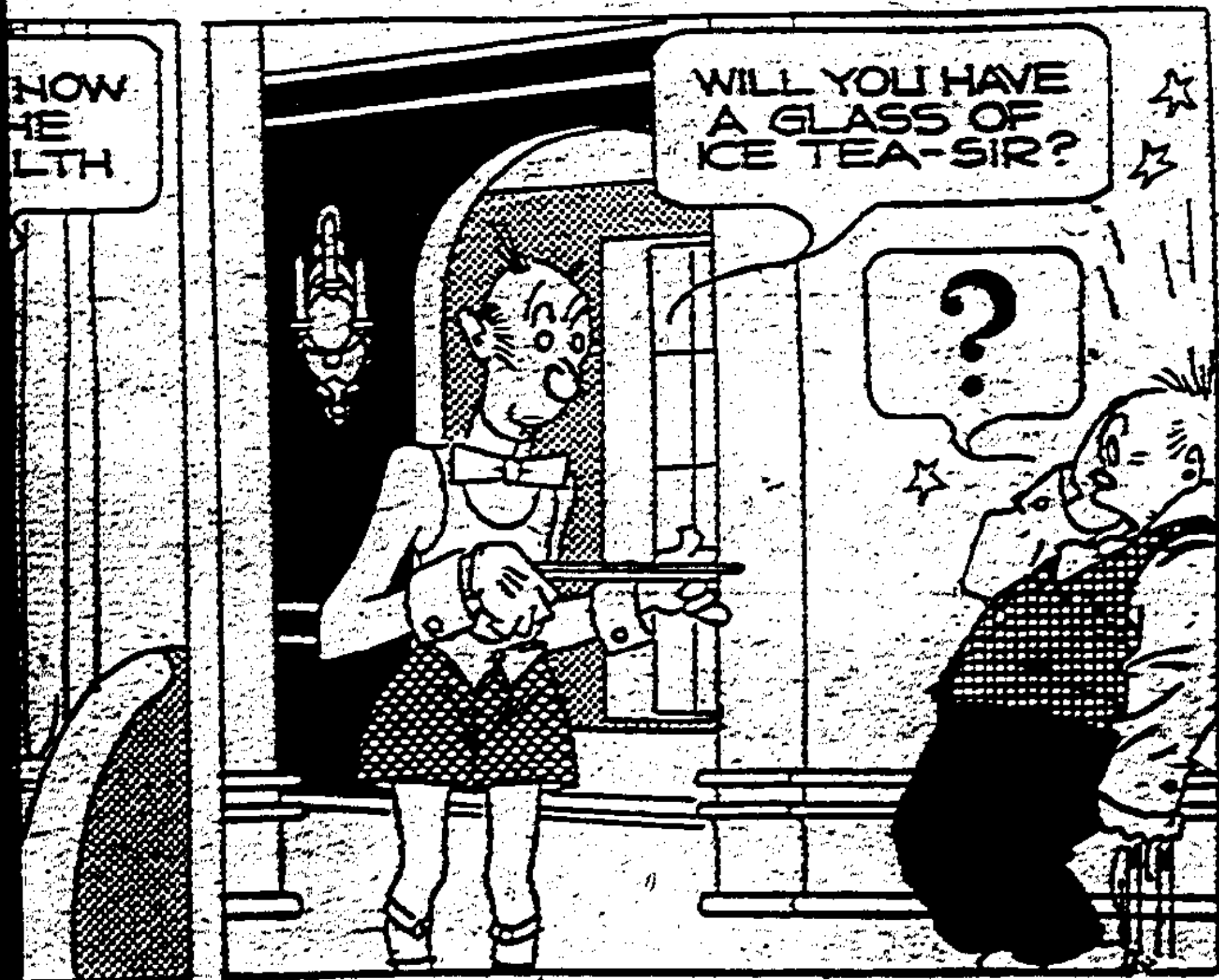


Mounted Patrolman Arthur H. Chalmers of New York City, is held for questioning by his superiors in connection with the slaying of Irma Louise Pradier, hospital worker, whose body, pierced by two bullets, was found on the Harlem River Drive a month ago. Chalmers, father of two children and a policeman ten years, said the woman shot herself in his car.

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—Hua Nan.

Chung Kui, a motor driver, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from cuts and abrasions sustained when his car crashed into a tree near the Po Wai Village yesterday.

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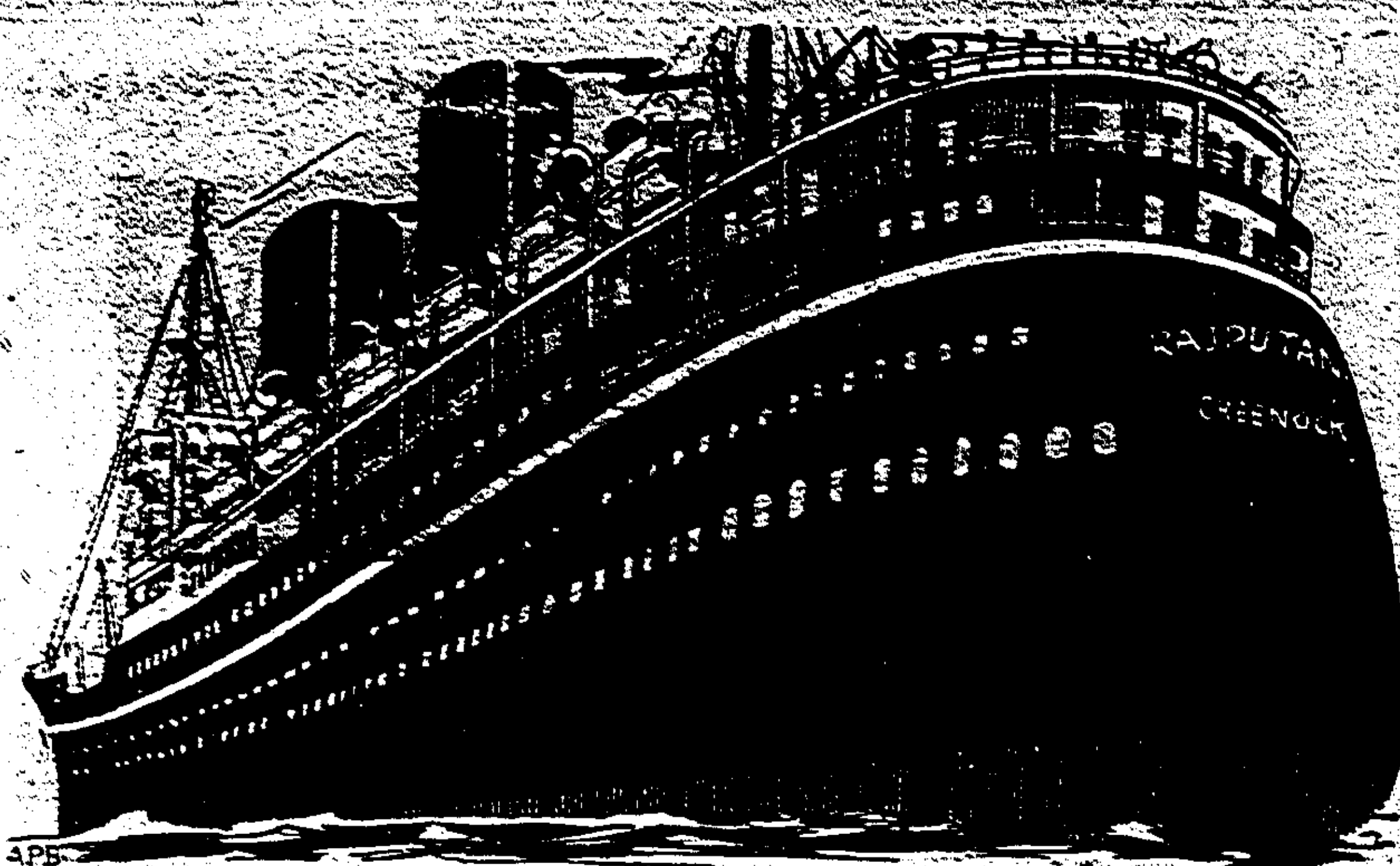
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Parcels		Sept. 8, 11 a.m.
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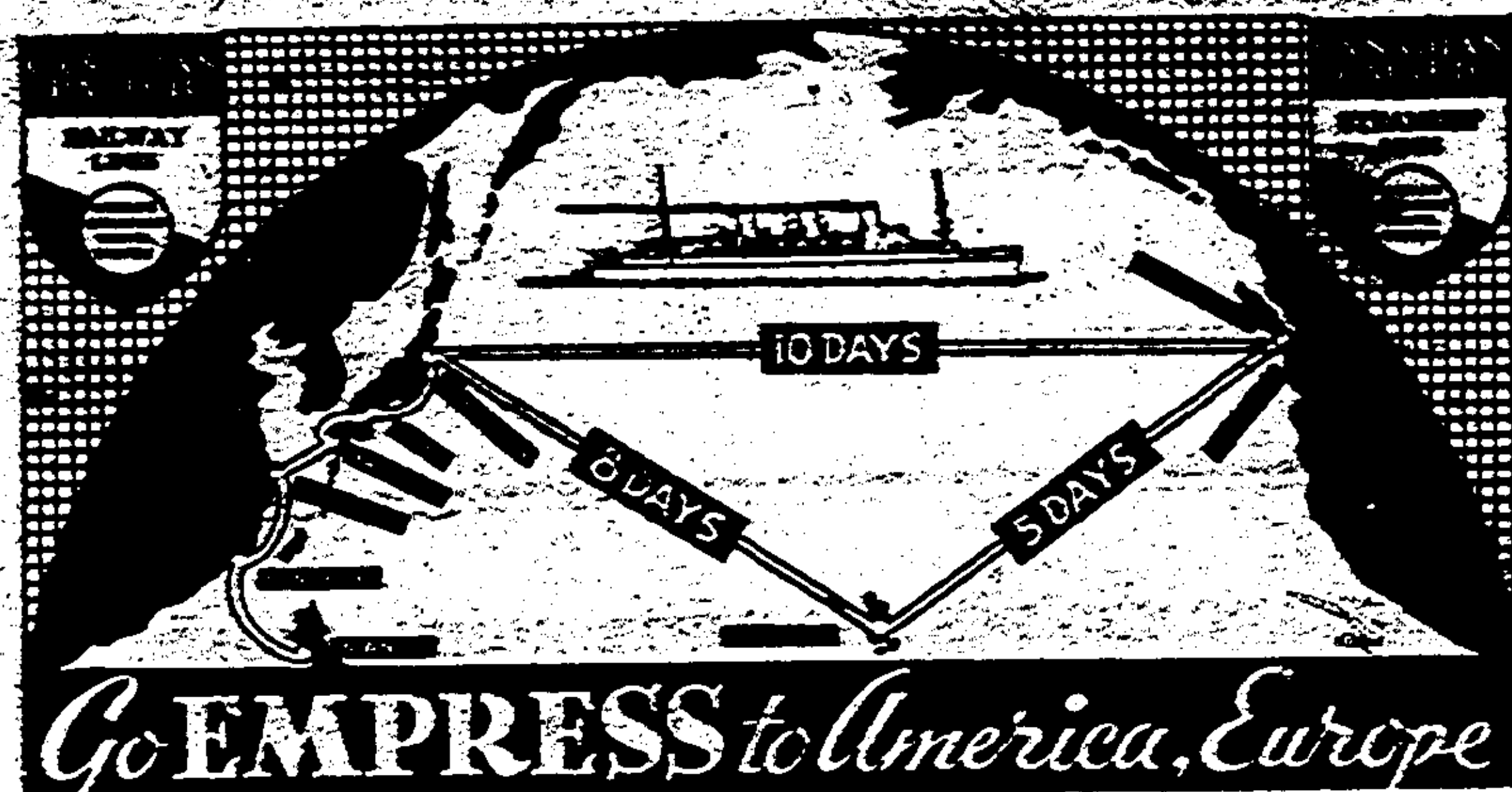
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END OF A FAMOUS RESTAURANT **ARTIST PATRONS OF THE EIFFEL TOWER**

Because the race of people who understand the art of eating and drinking is dying out, one of London's most famous Bohemian restaurants has closed its doors.

That is the reason given by Mr. Rudolf Stulik for the passing of the Eiffel Tower Restaurant, in Percy-street, Tottenhamcourt-road, which during its heyday was patronised by members of the Royal family and innumerable diplomats from the Embassies of Europe.

It was also the haunt of famous artists, producers, musicians and stage and screen celebrities, Mr. Augustus John was, according to Mr. Stulik, its patron saint. He was a regular patron to the end.

But all that belongs to the past. Because of the change in people's tastes, and owing to the high taxes, rents and rates, the Eiffel owner has served its last dinner.

The restaurant is an Adams building, and its Adams ceiling is one of the finest still in place. Its walls are hung with the trophies sent to the proprietor by his patrons from all over the world, and covered with drawings by well known modern artists.

All are to be sold at a public auction and Mr. Stulik, and his three waiters, Joe, Felix and Frank, who have been with him since he took over in 1906, are to go out "into the gutter," as Mr. Stulik said.

"I Never Pressed Them"
Mr. Stulik was Earl Kitchen's chef in the Sudan, and later chef at the Carlton Hotel in Monte Carlo, before taking over the Eiffel Tower from a native of Lorraine, a Mr. Homer. He said:

"Many people owed me money, but I never pressed them. There is at least still £2,000 due to me, but I will never get it.

"I can say that no artist or writer owes me anything.

"It may be the change times, or it may be that my Viennese temperament made me too easy over money matters, but it is all over now. Maybe a phoenix will rise from the ashes."

Mr. Stulik brought his staff from Vienna, and they have stayed here ever since, except for the war period. During the war Mr. Stulik was interned at Alexandra Palace. He is now 66.

British Treasury Returns

London, To-day.
Exchequer returns show that total ordinary revenue amounts to £268,020,387, compared with £255,302,979 at the corresponding date last year.

Total expenditure, less self-balancing items, is £354,800,730, compared with £332,526,493 at the corresponding date of 1936. British-Wireless.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate of the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 2/27.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 19/15/16 and "forward" at 19/15/16. The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £-US\$49.50 and the New York on London cross-rate at £-US\$49.50.

STAFF DONATIONS FOR REFUGEES

As a result of the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities thousands have been rendered homeless and destitute and more fortunate Chinese in Hong Kong are helping their countrymen financially either by contributions from savings or from salaries.

A sum of \$81.10, being the September's subscription in aid of refugees in the North China war zones, from the Chinese staff of the "China Mail," was sent through the Bank of East Asia to the Chinese Overseas Affairs Committee at Nanking this morning. The contribution will continue monthly until the cessation of the hostilities in China.

The Chinese staff of all departments of the British section of the Kowloon Canton Railway has started a similar drive and a very large sum has already subscribed. The clerical staff of the Line has sent funds to Nanking through the Bank of Canton.

The whole of the staff of the "Chun Wen Yat Pao," the "Chun Wen Evening News" and the "Morning News" are subscribing a day's salary and a shortening of food allowance in aid of the refugees.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

Messrs. S. E. Levy and Company have received the following report on yesterday's stock market:—

With current business news disappointing to negative at best, plus a chart compilers' prediction that the June low levels are to be tested, to-day's market was in a weak technical position for receiving news such as the latest increase in the European political tension as featured by the press. Though farm income prospects remain unchanged, the predicted Autumn increase in business activity is not yet realized. Reliable observers feel that the end of September should indicate the extent of such increase, which is now not expected to equal earlier expectations. One of the main market disappointments has been the failure of the building industry to aid the steel and motor industries in their recovery at this juncture. Meanwhile, until a clarification of the uncertainties which are inherent in the European and Asiatic situations and the domestic political situation and in higher costs, industrialists are generally pursuing a hand-to-mouth policy with regard to increasing their stocks. While the majority of securities, at the present levels, are discounting any greater than likely business recession, we feel that a volume rise should precede any purchases and we would sell on small volume rallies in view of the weakened technical position of the market.

All stocks fell sharply yesterday, the falls varying from one to ten points. Industrials were of 8.16 on the day according to Dow Jones averages, and Rails were 2.97 off.

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Oct/Dec 31 1/4 Up 1/4 b.
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OMAR AND RANDLE REACH FINAL



U. M. Omar (left) reached the Final of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship yesterday, after a very exciting struggle with A. Russell, while H. A. Alves, (right) the Recreio skip and interporter, was eliminated by S. Randle.

THRILLING LAWN BOWLS WITNESSED ON H.K.F.C. GREEN

RUSSELL DEFEATED ON 30TH HEAD

THE Semi-Final Round games in the Open Singles Lawn Bowls championship, held at the Hong Kong Football Club yesterday produced play of a high standard and the large number of spectators present were treated to some exciting sport, while the finish of the Omar and Russell game was one of the most thrilling seen in any of the competitions this season.

There was nothing to choose between Omar and Russell as both players were in great form and there was never many shots difference in the score. The game was featured by some excellent drawing. Omar opened the scoring with a single and followed it up with a brace, but Russell scored six on the next four heads.

Consistent play brought the score to seven all at the 10th head, where Omar scored the only three of the game. At the 21st head both players were on level terms at 15 all. On the 24th head, with the score 18 to 16 in his favour, Omar was lying the shot with a measure for the second. In attempting to get the third shot and finish the game he pushed one of Russell's balls up and gave him the shot. With this let-off, Russell scored four singles in the next four heads to bring the score to 20 shots to 18, but he was unable to secure the required shot for victory. Omar scored a two on the 29th head to tie the score.

The excitement was now intense. Omar was short with his first wood Russell with his heavy. Omar drew the shot and Russell was jack high. Omar, with his third wood, turn over his shot a fraction while Russell just went through. Omar then blocked the backhand and Russell failed with the last wood.

ALVES LOSES

Trailing behind Randle throughout the game, but coming with with-in striking distance of making a bid for the game, H. A. Alves, was eliminated in the other semi-final on the 22nd end, 21 shots to 16.

Scoring five shots in the first three heads, Randle took the lead, but a three by Alves, on the ninth head, enabled him to bring the score to 7 shots to 8. Randle again drew away and at the 19th head was leading by 18 shots to 13. Alves scored three in the next two heads, but Randle scored the required three on the 22nd head.

The following were the detailed scores:

	H. A. Alves	S. Randle
Head	Shots	Shots
1	0	2
2	0	2
3	0	1
4	2	5
5	1	0
6	0	1
7	1	0
8	0	2
9	2	8

OMAR'S VICTORY

	A. Russell	U. M. Omar
Head	Shots	Shots
1	0	1
2	0	2
3	2	0
4	2	0
5	1	0
6	1	0
7	0	1
8	0	1
9	1	0
10	0	2
11	0	3
12	1	0
13	1	0
14	0	1
15	1	0
16	2	0
17	2	0
18	0	1
19	0	1
20	1	1
21	1	2
22	1	0
23	0	2
24	0	1
25	1	0
26	1	0
27	1	0
28	1	0
29	0	2
30	0	2

HOME FOOTBALL

London, To-day.
The following are the results of League football matches played yesterday:

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Rochdale	0	Tramere	0
Southport	2	Bradford City	0

—Beuter.

“DIEHARDS” LOSE MANY SOCCER STARS LOCAL LEAGUE PROSPECTS

(By “REFEREE”)

THE 1st Battalion, the Middlesex Regiment, which is at present stationed in the Colony, and whose units will probably be featured in the local sports world during the coming winter months, are unfortunately in the position of having lost some of their best sportsmen, who are shortly leaving for home on the completing of their six years of foreign service.

Yesterday afternoon I visited the Barracks at Shamshuipo and was enlightened to some extent as to what lengths the Middlesex, or “Diehards” as they are better known, would offer a serious threat in local sport.

They had the best soccer team among the Services in the Straits, and in Singapore won both the Senior and Junior Garrison Cups, while their League record also shows them to be a fairly powerful side, although many of their best players have not yet arrived in the Colony, several being bandsmen, who were left in Singapore for the Military Tattoo which was recently concluded, while others having completed their term are awaiting a Troopship to take them home.

Cargo, their goalkeeper, is in Singapore with their band and is a fairly reliable custodian, while Baylis, one of their best full-backs, is shortly leaving for Home and is at present in Singapore.

CAPTAIN HERE

Watson, captain of the team for two seasons and left back is here in the Colony. Of the three half-backs, two are in the Colony at the moment, Wilkinson (right-half) and Sheehan (left-half), but Bright, their pivot, is in Singapore with the band and will shortly be in the Colony.

The five forwards who played for the Battalion in the Singapore League in the latter stages of the season, are all available, with the exception of Dean, the left-winger, who is due for Home shortly, while Bds. Ryder, the right-winger, is with the Band in Singapore.

The First Division team will therefore commence the local League with more or less an experimental team with four, possibly five newcomers until the Band have arrived from the South.

EXPERIMENTS

Providing they are here for any length of time, the first half of the

KOWLOON TONG DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Chan Brothers Win In Four Sets

The Final of the Kowloon Tong Doubles Lawn Tennis Championship was held last Sunday, when Albert and Henry Chan beat W. J. Howard and George She by 6-1, 5-7, 6-3, 6-3.

As it was too late to play off the final of the Handicap Doubles Final, the winners of the above event, the Chan Brothers, sporting-ly conceded a walk-over to J. H. Lao and C. B. Wong.

coming season will probably be spent in discovering the vulnerable spots and by the time November has arrived they will probably be at full strength.

The Second Division team will be comprised almost entirely of newcomers, whose names are not yet available.

P.W.D. ANNUAL AQUATIC GALA TO BE HELD AT V.R.C.

The annual Swimming gala of the Public Works Recreation Club will take place on Wednesday, September 15, 1937 at 8.45 p.m. at the Victoria Recreation Club. A 200 yds. Medley Relay will be open to Staffs of all Government Departments (teams of 4. Back, Crawl, Breast, Free). Entries close on Friday, September 10 at 5 p.m.

MIDDLESEX KEEP ON TOP OF TABLE TRIUMPH OVER SURREY BY THREE WICKETS

HUMAN, OWEN-SMITH AND SIMS HEROES OF SEASON'S GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT

(By THOMAS MOULT)

London, August 11.

MIDDLESEX gained a surprising victory by three wickets over Surrey at the Oval yesterday and thereby retained their leadership over Yorkshire in the County Championship. They have made more probable their eventual triumph after 16 years. Their percentage now is 69.62, compared with Yorkshire's 68.69, and they have still to play six matches, against five by Yorkshire.

WHATEVER MAY BEFALL MIDDLESEX IN THE MATCHES TO COME — AND SOME REDOUTABLE FOES AWAIT THEM STILL — THEY WILL ALWAYS LOOK BACK ON KENNINGTON OVAL AS THE SCENE OF WHAT IS LIKELY TO PROVE THEIR GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT OF THE SEASON.

The conclusion of the struggle was as extraordinary in its surprises as anything that had happened since the first ball was bowled on Saturday morning. Surrey's chances of a great triumph were splendid when the final day opened, but three of the outstanding Middlesex batsmen — Human, Owen-Smith and Sims — pursued the struggle with the utmost resolution, and their reward that came a few minutes before lunch was a victory only half hoped for. It was Human's victory especially; he carried his bat for the top score of all.

Middlesex needed 137 runs with only four wickets in hand. The task was difficult, for the game had been a low-scoring one, nobody except the brilliant Gregory, of Surrey, having scored more than 30 in an innings.



But in such an encounter we felt that, all things were possible, so that although Robins had been dismissed by the last ball on Monday night the attitude of Middlesex as the final day opened was by no means defeatist.

Human (not out 20) and Owen-Smith took extra heart, indeed, from the lucky circumstance that almost at the outset Owen-Smith was missed in the slips, when Parker got both hands to a ball from Gover but could not hold it. This was at 108, and the South African batsman was 4.

HUMAN'S INJURY

In a sense it compensated for a nasty knock which Human suffered on his right hand just before the 100 went up, but only in a sense, for the injury troubled Human throughout the morning. He will not, I understand, play in the fixture against Essex, which starts at Chelmsford to-day. May the others carry on his courageous and brilliant work!

The partnership of the two amateurs went on masterfully. There seemed to be less difficulty in the pitch, and Human reached a faultless 50 soon after twelve o'clock. Holmes now began to ring the changes on the attack, which included Watts and Squires for Parker and Gover, but the batsmen were in the ascendant.

FATAL STROKE

Then, however, a shock came for Middlesex, and Surrey grew suddenly optimistic again. At 159 Gover resumed his labours from the pavilion end, and Owen-Smith hit his first delivery hard to Gregory at third slip. It was a veracious as well as a fatal stroke, and the bats-

man showed what he thought of it ere he set out for the pavilion.

Owen-Smith had helped Human to put on 67 in an hour, but Middlesex were still 70 behind when Sims came in. Sims did not exactly inspire confidence by the streaky manner in which he shaped at first. Nevertheless, he survived, and doubtless the clear-cut, confident batmanship of his partner helped him into a state of stability.

As a matter of fact, Sims began to score more quickly than Human. One reason for this was that Human was struck twice by Gover, the second time under the heart off a no-ball so violently that he dropped to his knees. Also his hand was hurting again, and he retired for a brief while.

PARKER PUNISHED

On his return Sims hit two consecutive half-volleys by Parker for 4 apiece, the second of them off the new ball. Thirteen were scored in Parker's over altogether, and here, we felt, Watts ought to have been bowling with Gover.

Twenty to win! Even at this late moment anything might have happened the little crowd felt, and the excitement had by no means faded. But nothing happened — nothing untoward, that is, and at 20 past one, when Gover set his field with four slips and a gully for another over it was for the last time. Only 11 were wanted.

Sims, now the magnificent, lifted his fourth delivery to the on-boundary, cut the next ball square for 4, following with a similar crack off the sixth; and one of the most memorable battles at the Oval for many a summer was won and lost (Yorkshire has won the Championship).

FIRST IN AND LAST OUT

Masterly Century Knock By Harris

London, August 10.—Despite a masterly innings of 103 by Harris, Nottinghamshire all out for 191, followed on 246 behind Lancashire at Nottingham. They knocked 128 off the arrears for the loss of two wickets before the close, so that they still need 118 to avoid an innings defeat.

Handicapped by an injury to Larwood, thus further depleting their already weak attack, Nottingham owed a tremendous amount to Harris, who batted in great style in face of a crisis. He opened the innings and was last out, having scored his runs in three hours and a quarter.

"B" DIVISION LEAGUE TENNIS

VITAL MATCH TODAY

Easily the most interesting match on to-day's "B" Division tennis programme is the fixture between the Chinese Recreation Club and the Craigengower Cricket Club which will more or less decide the destination of the championship.

C. R. C. have already overcome all their biggest obstacles but Craigengower, assuming they are successful to-day, will still have to meet the Recreio, who are quite capable of beating them.

In many quarters, Craigengower are strongly favoured to the to-day, but whatever the result there is likely to be very little in the scores. The following is the complete programme as arranged by the League Secretary.

South China A. A. v. Chinese R. C. v. Craigengower C. C. v. Hong Kong C. C. v. Club de Recreio

VETERANS DEFEAT YOUNGSTERS

AMES' CENTURY

LEVESON GOWER'S XI DRAW WITH M.C.C.

London, To-day.

In the first match of its kind, the veterans beat the youngsters in a festival match at Folkestone by an innings and 8 runs, while at Scarborough, Mr. H. D. G. Leveson Gower's XI drew with the M. C. C. Australian eleven.

Over Thirties had first lease of the wicket and thanks to a typical Ames century, they were able to compile the very impressive score of 530. With Goddard striking his best form, Under Thirties found run-getting difficult and were dismissed for 256 and following on 266.

There was a complete mastery of the bat over the ball in the Leveson Gower—M. C. C. Australian match. Leveson Gower's eleven made 432 for 8 and 232 for 8 dec., and their opponents compiled 301 and 246 for 7 for the game to end in a draw.

Scores:—

At Folkestone, Over Thirties beat Under Thirties by an innings and 8 runs.
Over Thirties—530 (Ames 149).
Under Thirties—256 (Goddard 6 for 95) and 266.

At Scarborough, Mr. H. D. G. Leveson Gower's eleven drew with the M. C. C. Australian XI.
Mr. H. D. G. Leveson Gower's XI—432 for 8 dec.
M. C. C. Australian XI—301 and 246 for 7.

—Renter.

U.S.R.C. BEAT UNIVERSITY IN "A" DIVISION

Yesterday's League Tennis Results

At Pokfulam United Service Recreation Club beat University Tennis Club by 6 sets to 3 in the "A" Division of the Lawn Tennis League.

Scores:—

G. Divett and J. Smalley (U.S.R.C.) lost to H. Pong and C. C. Ma 6-1
beat Y. C. Lau and M. C. Hung 6-2
beat S. Wong and Y. N. Tan 6-3
L. J. Loch and J. H. Tomlinson (U.S.R.C.) beat Pong and Ma 6-4
lost to Lau and Hung 6-2
lost to Wong and Tan 6-3
L. Goldman and A. Sullivan (U.S.R.C.) beat Pong and Ma 6-3
beat Lau and Hung 6-1
beat Wong and Tan 6-3

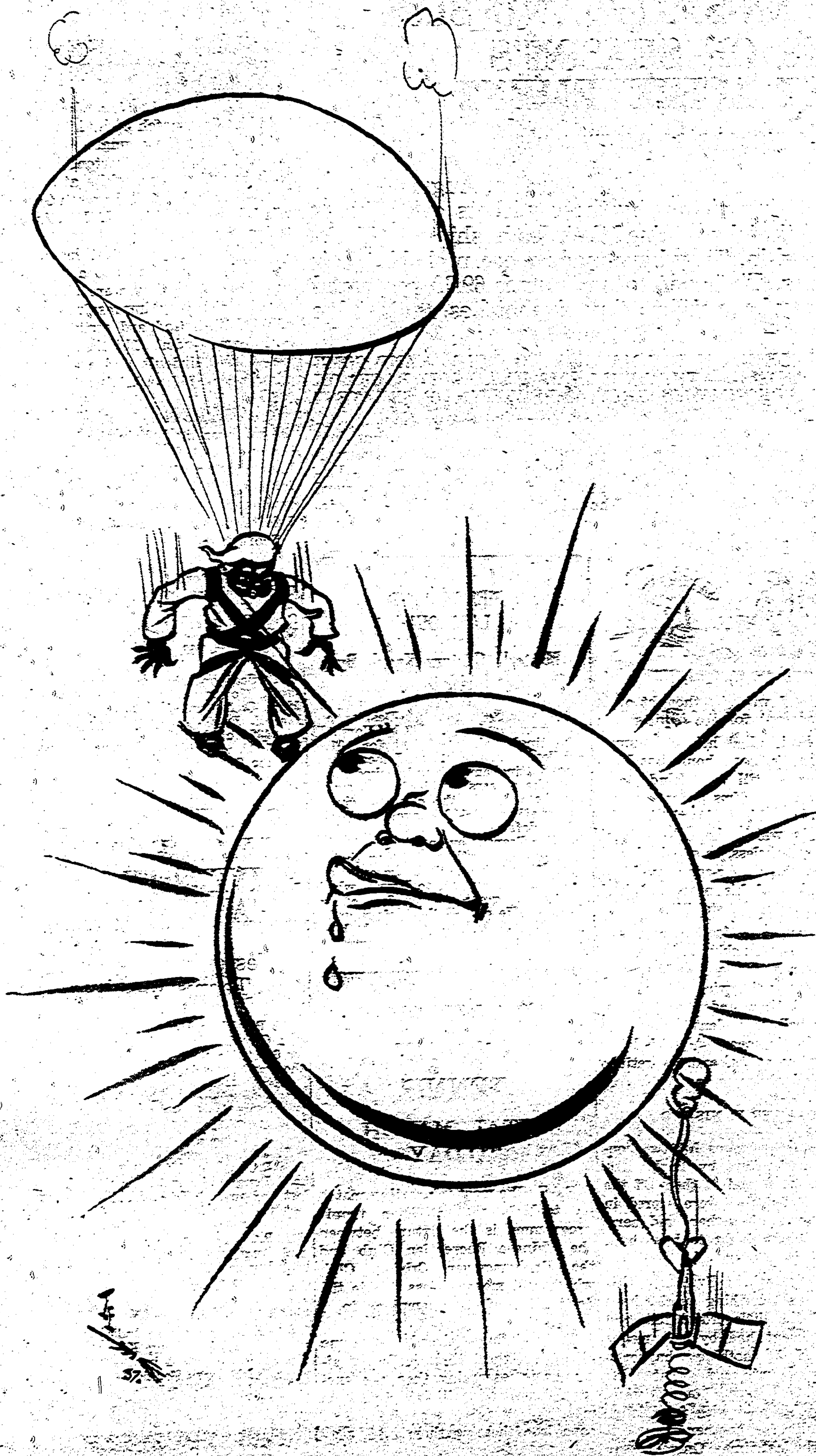
L.R.C. WIN

On the Club Ground Indian Recreation Club beat Hong Kong Cricket Club by 5 sets to 4 in the "A" Division of the Lawn Tennis League.

Scores:—

G. W. Sewell and H. Owen Hughes (H.K.C.C.) drew with S. A. Rumjahn and S. A. Ismail 6-6
beat H. D. Rumjahn and H. D. Madar 6-2
beat A. R. Minu and M. el Ar-culli 6-2
A. C. I. Bowker and M. Pagh (H.K.C.C.) lost to Rumjahn and Ismail 6-7
beat Rumjahn and Madar 6-4
drew with Minu and Arculli 6-6
S. V. Harrison and W. Sander (H.K.C.C.) lost to Rumjahn and Ismail 6-7
lost to Rumjahn and Madar 6-4
lost to Minu and Arculli 6-6

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Maskell's Easy Win At Eastbourne

D. Maskell (All-England L.T.C.), the holder, had an easy match in the first round of the competition proper for the professional singles championship of Great Britain at Devonshire Park, Eastbourne, yesterday.

The eight players exempted from the qualifying competition all won their matches.

Maskell disposed of I. M. Butt (Leicester), by 6-1, 6-1, 6-1. T. G. Jeffery (Melbury) bt N. L. Cooper (Felixstowe), by 6-4, 6-1, 6-4.

Singles Championship.—1st Round: D. Maskell (All-England L.T.C.) (holder) beat I. M. Butt (Leicester), 6-1, 6-1, 6-1; D. W. Gresham (Birmingham) beat R. H. Johnson (Forest Hill), 7-5, 6-3, 6-4; H. L. Smith (Richmond) beat H. H. Yolland (Cheltenham), 6-1, 6-3, 6-3; F. H. Poulson (Queen's) beat H. Knibbs (Liverpool), 6-1, 6-2, 6-4; J. Pearce (Queen's) beat E. H. Fenton (unattached), 6-3, 6-0, 6-1; B. R. Lawrence (Worthing) beat V. Owen (Aberystwyth), 6-2, 6-0, 6-0; J. Maskell (Melbury) beat C. R. Read (Queen's), 6-1, 6-3, 3-6, 1-6, 6-2; T. C. Jeffery (Melbury) beat N. L. Cooper (Felixstowe), 6-4, 6-1, 6-4.

Doubles Championship.—1st Round: A. Berger and B. R. Lawrence beat E. A. Greig and D. S. Macqueen, 6-0, 6-0, 6-0; G. G. Graves and W. Price beat J. M. J. Hore and E. Vredenburg, 6-1, 6-0, 6-0. **2nd Round:** D. Maskell and T. C. Jeffery (holders) beat H. F. Wallington and A. E. Millman, 6-3, 6-2, 6-2; E. C. Kelly and E. W. Lowe beat J. W. Cutts and R. H. Johnson, 7-5, 6-2, 6-3; W. H. Weavers and E. H. Fenton beat J. E. Pryor and S. P. Covington, 6-0, 6-3, 6-0.

CORONER'S BILLIARDS CHALLENGE

London, August 11.

Sir Samuel Brighouse, the 88-year-old Lancashire coroner, is taking up a billiards challenge issued during the week-end by Mr. John Eyre, of Owston Ferry, Doncaster, who is also 88.

Sir Samuel issued a similar challenge six years ago, but 70-year-old challengers were considered too young.

Insisting on a neutral table for 100 up under professional rules, Sir Samuel is willing to back himself for any amount. "This is the opponent I have been looking for four years," he said yesterday.

YALE UNIVERSITY WIN GOLF TIE IN SCOTLAND

London, August 11.

A feature of the Golf match, between Yale University and Aberdeen University at Balgownie yesterday was the brilliant form of the Yale Freshman, Ed Meister, who, after beating the Aberdeen leader, J. S. Riddell, by 2 and 1, completed the round in 69, three strokes below the amateur record for the course.

Yale won the match by $3\frac{1}{2}$ points to $3\frac{1}{2}$, winning the singles, by 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$ after the morning four games had been halved at 4 ap all.

600-MILES OCEAN YACHT RACE

RECORD IS
EXPECTED

AMERICAN YACHT DISQUALIFIED

London, August 11.

It was reported last night that one of the competitors in the 600-miles ocean yacht race from Cowes to the Fastnet Rock and back to Plymouth may set up a new record for the race.

The 29 competitors in this year's race, which is held biennially, started on Saturday morning, and were expected to finish in about six days.

The leader, which was reported in the English Channel on the homeward run, is Mr. M. H. Mason's *Latifa*. She was expected to cross the finishing line at Plymouth early to-day, thus completing the course within four days. This would constitute a record.

LATIFA'S PASSAGE

Latifa rounded the Fastnet Rock at 1.30 p.m. on Sunday, and passed the Lizard at 7 o'clock last night, bound for Plymouth.

The only news of the remaining competitors is that *Stirana* (Lt. J. F. B. Gage) and the American yacht *Elizabeth McCaw* (Mr. R. J. Reynolds) rounded the Fastnet Rock three hours after *Latifa*.

It is a handicap race, and the winner will not be known until all the competitors have returned, but *Elizabeth McCaw* has already been disqualified for crossing the starting line prematurely.

The American yacht is apparently completing the race unaware that she has been disqualified.

MISS DIANA FISHWICK DEFEATED

Surprise In German
Golf Championship

Bad Ems, August 11.

Britain, which has held a monopoly of the German men's and women's amateur titles, suffered a reverse to-day, when in the third round of the women's championship Miss Diana Fishwick, the holder and former British champion, was beaten 3 and 2 by Frau Toni Lidl, of Munich.

There are only two British players in the last eight, Miss S. Stroyan (Sunningdale) and Mrs. Garon, twice winner.

In the men's championship Britain has five players in the last eight—H. C. Longhurst, the holder, A. McNair, K. S. Duncan, Brig-Gen. A. C. Critchley, and H. G. Bentley, a former holder.

LONGHURST'S ADVANCE

Longhurst, who to-day beat J. W. Ellis, of Northumberland, by 7 and 5, and Dr. J. L. Cowan, of Elie, Scotland, by two holes, now meets Leonard von Beckerath, who put out two British players, R. S. Burles, the former boy champion, by 8 and 6, and Count John de Bendor, the former British champion, by 3 and 1.

Count Alaric de Bendor was also beaten. He lost to Andrew McNair, of Westworth, by 2 and 1. McNair meets Duncan, the old Oxford Blue, in the fifth round.

Critchley won both his matches

EASY VICTORY FOR NEW YACHT AT SOUTHSEA

Trivia Keeps An
Early Lead

GOOD BREEZE FOR 26 MILE RACE IN SOLENT

Portsmouth, August 11.

The flukes and calms were driven away to-day by a splendid southerly breeze which came as a great relief to yachtsmen and onlookers alike after the almost tropical heat of the previous day.

The 12 metres started six strong off Southsea to sail twice round the Warner lightship, South-East Ryde Middle Spit Bell, and No. 2 Chequered Fairway-buoys.

The prevailing wind, unfortunately, gave them a soldier's course—that is to say, they completed the whole 26 miles without making a tack.

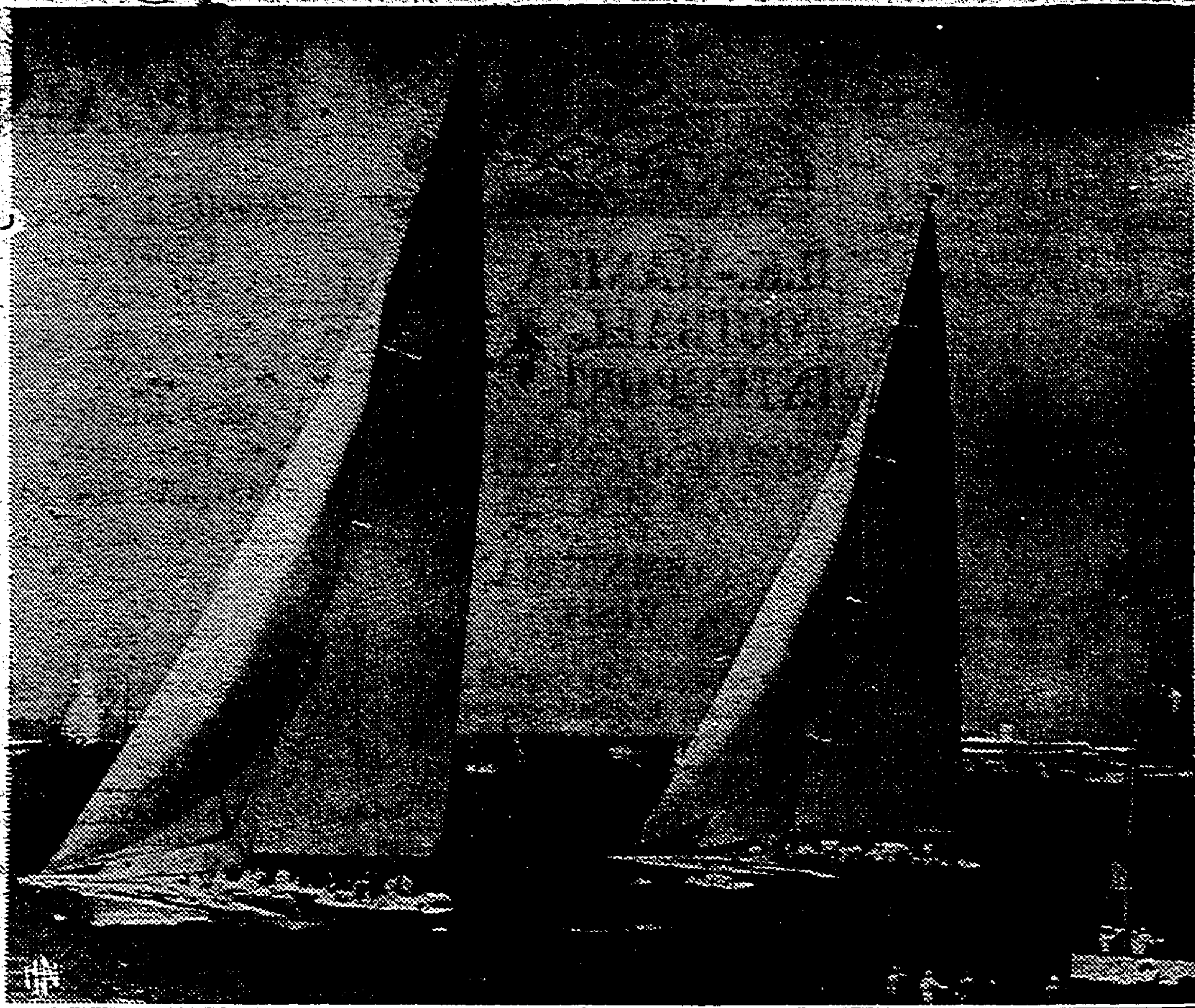
Mr. V. W. MacAndrew's new yacht, *Trivia*, won easily from Sir W. Burton's *Marina*, with Mr. C. R. Faurey's *Evaine* third.

WESTRA'S GOOD START

The class started with a reach on the starboard tack to the Warner Lightship, and Mr. Connell, in *Westra*, right on the line at gun-fire, was away with the lead. From the lightship it was a close reach along the island shore to the South-east Ryde Middle buoy, and on this leg of the course Mr. Connell held his boat well to windward of the rest of the fleet, no doubt anticipating that the wind would veer more westerly.

As it happened, the reverse was the case and the leeward yachts had the advantage. From Ryde Middle sands spinnakers were set and the six boats ran in close company on the starboard gybe to the Spit Bell

easily. In the second he was out in the remarkable score of 33, five under par, and seven under bogey. Critchley meets Bentley to-morrow.



Harold S. Vanderbilt's "Ranger" is shown taking an early lead of two boat-lengths over the blue-hulled "Endeavour II" in the third race for the America's Cup-off Newport, Rhode Island. The "Ranger" set a new windward record for cup yachts by footing the leg in 2 hours, 3 minutes and 47 seconds to finish nearly a mile ahead of T. O. M. Sopwith's challenger.

buoy, at which mark the order was *Trivia*, *Marina*, *Evaine*, *Westra* and *Little Astra*.

FRESHENING BREEZE

In this order they completed the first round, and set off on the second with a freshening breeze. On the second leg to the South-east Ryde Middle, *Evaine* closed up on *Marina*, and on the run to the lee mark looked like taking second place, but the Mylne-designed boat was still second, with *Trivia* a long way ahead.

This was the last regatta for the 12 metres in the Solent, and their next fixture is on Saturday at Dover, when they will sail under the flag of the Royal Cinque-Ports Y. C.

BRUEN NOT DEFENDING BOYS' GOLF TITLE

London, August 9.

James Bruen, the 17-year-old Irish player, who recently won the Irish native amateur title, will not defend the Boys' Amateur championship at Edinburgh at the end of the month.

Bruen has been chosen to play for Ireland in the amateur international matches at Portmarnock, which begin three days after the boys' event concludes.

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UNITED HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

At a committee meeting of the United Hockey Tournament at the Police Training School yesterday, it was decided to affiliate with the Hong Kong Hockey Association.

Sergeant Mattam, was elected additional assistant Secretary.

The following teams have been admitted to the tournament:—Argonauts, Kowloon Indians, Royal Corps of Signals and R.A.O.C.

It is probable that the Middlesex Regiment and the Kumaon Rifles will also affiliate. The season will commence immediately.

HARDCOURT TOURNAMENT

POSTPONED FIXTURE

The following matches are scheduled to be played in the Colony Hardcourt Championships at the United Services Recreation Club this afternoon.

Court No. 12 H. Y. Ho v. J. L. F. Smalley.

Court No. 13 Major MacDonald v. Chan Kam-moon.

Court No. 14 E. C. Fincher and G. Bodiker v. S. A. Gray and A. Crawford.

Court No. 15 A. E. P. Guest v. Y. C. Lau.

Court No. 16 In "Tak-chenk" and Wong Shui-wing v. E. C. Fincher and D. J. N. Anderson.

Court No. 17 M. A. Oliveira v. I. M. A. Razack.

These matches represent the entire block of games postponed from last Thursday.

16-YEAR-OLD BOY BATS FOUR HOURS

H. A. PAWSON SCORES 237 RUNS

London, August 11.

The Lord's Schools beat Mr. Tufnell's XI, at Lord's yesterday in the match for boys under 16 by an innings and 11 runs.

The feature of the game was the innings of H. A. Pawson, who batted for over four hours for 237 and made the majority of his runs by well-executed square cuts, but did very little driving.

Ross, a youngster of 16, and one of the smallest boys on the field, bowled 32 overs for six wickets. He spun the ball well and kept a good length. He will learn to vary his pace.



H.K.-MANILA FOOTBALL INTERPORT

COUNCIL MEETING OF H.K.F.A.

CORINTHIANS VISIT

A meeting of the Council of the Hong Kong Football Association was held yesterday evening, when the question of holding an inter-port match against the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation was temporarily shelved because of the present political unrest in North China.

Mr. W. Pryde, presided at the meeting, which discussed at length the question of remuneration to referees; the Council eventually deciding to let the Association's proposed action stand until the Referee's had held their own meeting Monday evening.

In view of the extensive typhoon damage to stands and grounds alike, the proposed soccer match for the benefit of the North China Refugees will be held over for some time.

VARITY'S REQUEST

A request for entry into the Second Division of the League by the Hong Kong University was deliberated on, and it was decided to ask them to play in the Third Division where the Middlesex Regiment were unable to field a team. It is understood that if the Varsity decline to do so, South China will fill the vacancy.

The visit of the Islington Corinthians to the Colony was also brought up and February 19, 20, 26 and 27 were fixed for matches against Colony teams.

JAPAN ABANDONS 1940 GAMES

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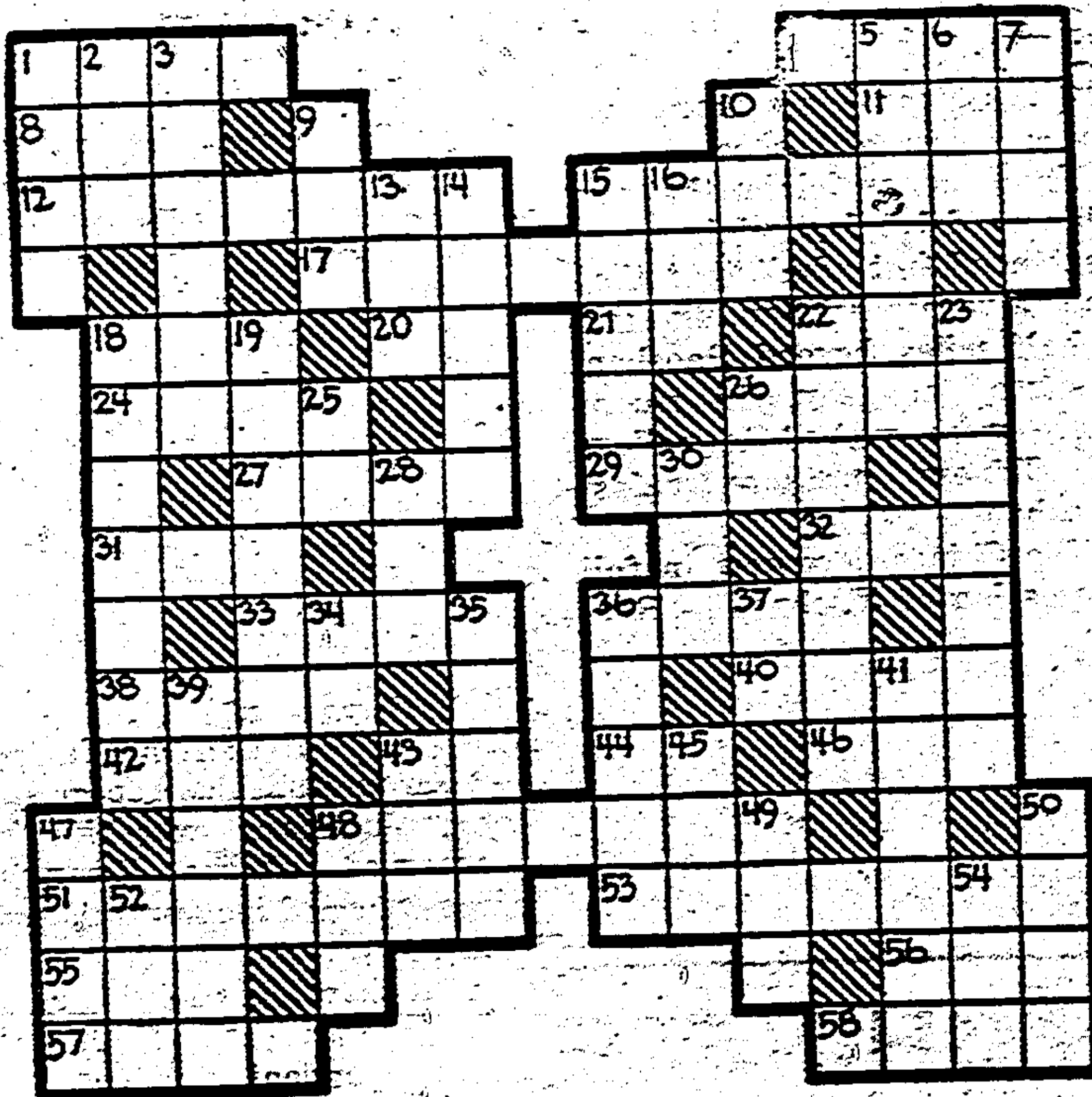
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Choicest
- 4-City in S. W. England
- 8-Knack
- 11-Expire
- 12-Harvesting machines
- 15-Windward (Naut.)
- 17-Tautest
- 18-Full of moisture
- 20-Act
- 21-Because
- 22-Attempt
- 24-Greek god of war
- 26-An American Indian
- 27-To observe
- 29-Satisfy
- 31-Length measure
- 32-Atmosphere
- 33-Egyptian wading bird
- 35-Entrance to a mine
- 38-Not any
- 40-Wither
- 42-A game
- 43-Father

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 44-Preposition
- 46-Performed
- 48-Thieves
- 51-Three-legged stands
- 53-Narrated
- 55-Eternity
- 56-Evening (Poet.)
- 57-Young hogs
- 58-Outer coat of wheat

VERTICAL

- 1-Poet
- 2-Before
- 3-Less fresh
- 5-To stick fast
- 6-Blind
- 7-To crowd together
- 9-A wager
- 10-Feline
- 12-Crimson
- 14-Breathe noisily when asleep

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 15-Alienates the affections of
- 16-A letter
- 18-Justify
- 19-Minding
- 22-Gave pleasure to
- 23-Wished for
- 25-Very
- 26-A coin (abbr.)
- 28-Prefix. Thrice
- 30-Assist
- 34-Exist
- 35-Flat pieces of stone
- 36-A flower
- 37-Part of verb "to be"
- 39-Roying
- 41-Disturber
- 43-Seed covering
- 45-Raw metal
- 47-Walk
- 48-Decay
- 49-Tricky
- 50-Picadilly
- 52-King (Fr.)
- 54-Girl's name

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

GERMANY'S DEMAND FOR COLONIES AT NUREMBERG

Nuremburg, To-day.

No bombshells were thrown by Germany's leaders when the annual Nazi Party Congress opened here yesterday, the main points in the speeches being repetition of Germany's claim to colonies, Italo-German friendship and the anti-Communist Pact.

The rally, which is being held in the Luitpold Halle, was opened by the Deputy Party leader, Herr Rudolf Hess, who reviewed the accomplishments of the Nazi Party.

Herr Hess spoke of the dead sailors of the Deutschland, whom he said had "succumbed to a criminal Bolshevik attack on the peace of Europe."

He extended a greeting to the guests attending the Congress, especially members of the Diplomatic Corps.

Eulogising Herr Hitler, Herr Hess made an attack on Communism, and affirmed the entire nation's loyalty to the Fuehrer.

HITLER PROCLAMATION

Herr Hitler's proclamation was read by Herr Adolf Wagner, regional leader of Upper Bavaria.

The proclamation said that whereas lost wars might be retrieved within a relatively short time, once the internal structures of a nation had been destroyed, it took centuries to restore them, and in the attempt to do so nations were frequently overtaken by destruction.

Reference was made to Germany's successful "disciplined regeneration."

The social problem was the greatest problem of the time.

FUNDAMENTAL ISSUE

Increase in production was the fundamental principle of National-Socialism, since what chiefly mattered for the individual was not the banknote which he received in payment for his work but the amount of things he could buy with it.

Germany had succeeded in solving her most difficult social problem and there was no longer any real unemployment in Germany but on the contrary a scarcity of skilled labour.

Referring to the Four-Year Plan, the proclamation said it would be realised.

The question which had for years past caused the greatest concern to the German Government was that of difficulty of ensuring an adequate supply of food.

The space in which the German nation lived was without colonial expansion and was too restricted to guarantee safe, undisturbed and durable supplies of food.

INTOLERABLE THOUGHT

No other nation could point to greater achievements than Germany in the task of placing its food supplies on a secure basis, but in the long run it was an intolerable thought that every year Germany should have to depend on the accident of a good or bad harvest.

Hence the demand for colonies was founded on Germany's economic necessities, and the attitude of other Powers to this demand for colonies consisted of hollow phrases concerning morality.

Germany's struggle for existence was more difficult than that of any other nation, since she counted not a bare dozen but 137 inhabitants to the square kilometre.

POLITICAL ISSUES

Turning to political matters, the proclamation stressed that the penal clauses of the Versailles Treaty, restoration of German freedom and guaranteeing of this freedom by the German defence forces, constituted three facts which marked the close of a great chapter in Germany's history and also the glorious opening of a new chapter.

In the domain of foreign politics, Germany was no longer isolated but was bound by ties of close friendship.

The natural community of interests between Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy had, during the past few months, proved ever more and more to be a factor of European security, and it would be impossible in future for anyone to ignore the community of will of the two nations.

"We all entertain a strong hope that the other Powers will also understand the signs of the times and thus contribute to strengthen this front of reason and of the defence of peace and civilisation."—Trans-Ocean.

SPECTACULAR CHINESE ATTACK

(Continued from Page 1)

towns and hamlets having been recaptured in 24 hours of stubborn battling.

The official Japanese report is laconically uninformative, stating merely that Japanese casualties have been very heavy.

This is interpreted in Peiping foreign quarters as indicating that the Japanese have suffered a severe setback. Movements of Japanese troops indicate that reinforcements are now being hurried to the scene of fighting.

Japanese troops are also heavily engaged to the south of Peiping, where they have been bitterly attacked for more than 36 hours by five divisions of the Central Government.—Our Own Correspondent.

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Shanghai, To-day.

Japanese bombers, escorted by several pursuit planes, were up in the air at break of dawn this morning.

Dozens of bombs were dropped on the Chinese positions at Kiangwan, with the object of preventing arrival of Chinese reinforcements.

The bombing heralded a fierce Japanese attack on the Chinese positions in Chapei, which was launched at 8 o'clock this morning and is still going on.—Our Own Correspondent.

Swatow, To-day.

All foreigners here are preparing to evacuate and it is expected that they will leave for Hong Kong in two days.—Our Own Correspondent.

Nanking, To-day.

Although the Japanese air force is apparently giving Nanking a wide berth, Japanese planes yesterday and this morning carried out several raids on Chinese aerodromes in the vicinity of the capital.

Kwangti aerodrome was made the chief target for the raiders' bombs but the Chinese anti-aircraft batteries, reinforced since the first Japanese raid was made several weeks ago, kept the enemy planes at a great height and the damage done is believed to have been only slight.—Our Own Correspondent.

Shanghai, To-day.

Replying to the Chinese counter-attack on all fronts during the night, in which the Chinese and Japanese forces engaged in machine-gun duels and hand-to-hand fighting, the Japanese resumed the offensive this morning with a severe bombardment of the Chinese lines from batteries ashore and afloat.

The Japanese claim that the Chinese drive last night was beaten off but admit that they had to vacate Yuehpu, five and a half miles beyond Paoshan, because, they say, the troops there were rushed to relieve the Chinese pressure against Paoshan.

The Chinese are now in full possession of Yuehpu.—Reuter.

Canton, To-day.

An unconfirmed report states that Japanese warships were observed off the Kwangtung coast near Liuchow this morning.

Liuchow is south-west of Kwangchowwan.—Our Own Correspondent.

NEWS FLASHES

Shanghai—The next event in the elimination games between China and Japan will be the "Big Push". The sporting fans will wait with interest for this event as both sides claim to have the "Biggest Push". ROYAL Typewriters require less push on the keys for fast operating than any other machine.

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